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HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES.

The Class of '03 Hold Exercises in Lyceum Thursday Evening.

THE D. A. R. GOLD MEDAL CONTEST

Interesting Contest at the Court House Monday Evening—Miss Day the Winner.

The commencement exercises of the High School were held last Thursday evening at the opera house, which was well filled with interested listeners. The graduates, with the subject of their respective essays and readings were as follows: F. Elmer Raymer, essay on "The Early Mathematics of the Arabs and Hindoos;" Anna M. Servatius, reading, "Aftermath;" Ethel A. Tull, reading, "The Roman Forum," and Ora L. Campbell, essay, "A Necessary Element for Success." Because of two of the class having prepared essays for the D. A. R gold medal contest the above readings were substituted on commencement. All the graduates read in a very creditable manner, while the essays showed considerable study and thought. Principal H. H. Foster followed with a few remarks, calling the attention of graduates to the increased obligations devolving upon them as graduates of the school, and urging them to live up to the high ideals which had been set before them. The presentation of the diplomas was by Mr. D. C. Young, president of the school board. Mr. Young, in his remarks, commended the pupils highly on their attainments and expressed the interest of the school directors and patrons in the higher welfare of the graduates. The music of the program consisted of a piano duet by Misses Gallup and McCoy, a vocal solo by Miss Agnes McCoy, a piano solo by Miss Gallup and a piano solo by Miss McClure. These were all very well received.

Last Monday evening at the court house occurred the first annual contest for the gold medal recently offered by the McKean Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Four young ladies read essays in the contest with the following subjects: Miss Lura Day, "The French in Pennsylvania;" Miss Etta M. Gleisner, "The Pennsylvania Quakers;" Miss Anna Servatius, "Events in Pennsylvania Leading to the Revolution," and Miss Ethel A. Tull, "The Part of Pennsylvania in the Revolution." All four essays were of a high degree of excellence, and were read in a most creditable manner. The decision was based both upon the character and style of the essays and the manner of delivery. The committee of judges, consisting of Messrs. S. W. Smith of Port Allegany, R. B. Stone of Bradford and John Forrest of Smethport, rendered a decision in favor of Miss Lura Day, to whom Mrs. Morrison, in behalf of the D. A. R., presented the medal in a most excellent address. A male quartet, consisting of Dr. H. L. McCoy, Guy McCoy, Sidney Owens and Harry Henderson, rendered a patriotic selection which was highly appreciated.

Lodge Instituted at Mt. Jewett.

A lodge of F. & A. M. was instituted at Mt. Jewett on Monday afternoon in the presence of a large number of Masons from Bradford, Kane, Smethport and surrounding towns. The lodge was installed by Grand Master Brown of Pittsburg, assisted by District Deputy Grand Master S. R. Dresser of Bradford, George H. Quaill, William M. Hamilton and ex-Mayor William J. Deihl of Pittsburg. The lodge rooms are located on the fourth floor of the Thompson block.

In the evening an elegant banquet was served in the Mountain opera house. Short addresses were made by a number of the grand officers present and a very pleasant evening was spent. The lodge starts off with a good membership and we wish it a prosperous future.

Putting on Fire Escapes.

Landlord B. F. Wright has had a modern fire escape placed on the Wright House. The structure starts from the top story and runs down to the veranda on the front of the building.

Landlord Daniel Bacon is having a fire escape placed on the Hotel Imperial. This one is on the west side of the building and runs from the fourth story to a point near enough the ground so that one can jump with safety.

The fire escapes are made of iron and steel and are in the shape of a pair of stairs, wide enough for two to walk abreast. They will prove of great value in case of fire.

Dr. Burg Chadwick.

Dr. Burg Chadwick has his office over the Palace Pharmacy where he will be pleased to meet all his old patients and friends. Prompt attention given to calls day or night.

If you want Fishing Tackle go to Holmes & Gilfillan's.

Civil Court Proceedings.

Civil court convened at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon with Judges Bouton and Criswell on the bench. No cases were ready for trial, but a number were settled out of court. Emil Berg of Hamlin township, a native of Sweden, was naturalized and the afternoon was taken up with motions, etc.

The following cases were settled: F. A. Judd vs. J. Garrett and F. B. Garrett, feigned issue; Ann Brown vs. B., R. & P. R. R. Co., and Henry Schobey vs. Perry Patch. In the case of Aaron Barrett vs. J. E. K. Morris, executor of V. E. Shaw, a voluntary non-suit was suffered. The case of Isabelle Billett vs. Edward Collins et al. was continued, as was also the case of W. Brooks vs. E. J. Boyle and George D. Williams.

The case of P. O. Buchanan vs. John Banks and Rebecca B. Pierce (now intermarried with N. Wilson) was settled out of court. This is probably the end of one of the most interesting cases tried in McKean county for some time and has been before the various courts for the past nine years. It was twice before the Supreme Court and was at various times in courts of law and equity.

In the same case, on opened judgment, the jury was directed by the court to render a verdict for the defendant.

In the case of V. L. Ackley against Bradford township for $5,000 damages for injuries alleged to have been received on the public road near Minard Run, the court granted a compulsory nonsuit.

The suit of the Bradford Electric Street Railway Co. vs. A. W. Graham and C. M. Hamilton was continued on account of the absence of an important witness for the defense.

In the case of James N. Duffy vs. George H. Mell Judge Criswell reserved his decision.

The case of Eugene Peake vs. Bridget Sheehy has been continued.

Thomas Conners vs. Mary Mack; settled out of court.

Decrees of divorce were handed down in the cases of Elizabeth A. Harvey vs. Herbert A. Harvey and Sarah D. Bachtell vs. Edward G. Bachtell.

In the case of Margaret Steustrom vs. George W. Campbell, E. W. Campbell, G. W. Campbell & Son, taking timber from plaintiff's land, the jury returned a verdict in favor of plaintiff for $107.20.

In the case of Janeway and Carpenter vs. C. L. Bradburn the defendant failed to appear and judgment was entered for $122.71.

The Cake Walk and Ball.

The cake walk, ball and entertainment of the Smethport Colored Social Club was held at the Smethport Lyceum Monday evening in the presence of a good sized audience. The management was considerably disappointed by some of the people expected not coming to assist in the entertainment, but they did their best under the circumstances and every number on the program was heartily applauded.

The first number on the program was Suwance River by a large chorus, which was followed by vocal solos and instrumental music. Miss Edna Sheckels of Bradford, soprano, and Herman Morris of Buffalo, bass, were the principal musical features.

Five couples participated in the prize cake walk. The first prize was won by Mr. Ernest Clemens and Miss Ethel Clemens of Wellsville, N. Y., and Mr. and Mrs. James of Towanda were awarded the second prize. The above mentioned walkers were evenly matched and it was hard for the judges to decide which should take first prize.

At the conclusion of this performance the seats were taken out of the auditorium and the floor cleared for dancing. Sutton's orchestra, which had played for the entertainment, played the grand march which started the most enjoyable event ever held in Smethport's colored social set. Excellent refreshments were served shortly after midnight and the merry party lasted until nearly dawn.

Kent Found Guilty.

On Saturday the jury in the case of Dr. Leland Dorr Kent, accused of murdering Ethel Dingle, brought in a verdict of guilty. Kent is 22 years old and has a wife and a child two years old. He became infatuated with a beautiful young nurse. Together they went to Rochester where they registered as man and wife. During the night Ethel Dingle's throat was cut, from the wound of which she died immediately. Kent's throat was cut but he recovered. The girl had a razor in her left hand. Letters on the table directed to friends stated they had decided to commit suicide.

In the first charge of the indictment it is charged that she did the cutting with her own hand, but that the defendant encouraged, aided and assisted her in so doing. The third count states that for the purpose of carrying out her suicidal purpose and act, he, the defendant, inflicted the mortal wound, she consenting thereto.

Kent received a sentence of 20 years in Auburn prison on Monday. His attorney has made application for a new trial and if it is refused the case will be probably carried to the supreme court.

DEATH OF AN AGED WOMAN.

Esther Maria Talbut Died May 13, 1903—Interesting Character in Early County History.

Esther Maria Steele was born at Oxford, Conn., April 6, 1811. When she was four years old her parents moved to Exeter, N. Y., where her girlhood days were passed. Her father, owning a large farm, found it necessary to employ help during the summer's work and one season a young man named William Talbut was thus engaged. This marked a change in the hitherto uneventful life of the household. Love entered into two young hearts and in February, 1835, Esther Maria became the wife of William Talbut.

The first years of their married life were passed at Exeter and Virgil, N. Y. Then William Talbut exchanged his farm at Virgil for 110 acres of wild, wooded land at Lafayette, Pa., then known as Taintor. Leaving his family at Exeter he spent the summer and fall of 1847 on his new possessions, felling trees and drawing them to a sawmill owned by Luther Davis, situated on the creek about one mile south of Lafayette Corners. When they were sawed he drew the lumber back and built his house. The pine timber he cut in Aaron Hagadorn's woods across the road. When this was sawed one-half went to pay Mr. Davis, one-fourth to Mr. Hagadorn and one-fourth remained for himself. The shingles he whittled out with a jack knife in spare moments.

At last the little house was completed and the family moved in the early winter, over roads and across fields almost impassable with ice and water. Nine days on the way, with four children, the youngest a sick baby, and reaching her home at last to find it but a desolate looking place in the midst of a forest, the brave little mother's heart never faltered and all through the long dreary winter she was busy spinning, weaving, knitting and sewing to eke out the family funds. When the spring came they planted their garden between logs. Gradually the farm was cleared, the house grew and the family inside increased to eight children.

The years brought changes many and sore. Little Nathan and a tiny babe unnamed were called from the mother's loving arms to the better home above. George, a soldier boy, in 1864 succumbed to consumption, contracted in a Southern hospital. Four years later, Diantha, in the beauty of her young womanhood, went to join the family on the other shore. Marriage drew Esther, Mary, William and Amelia from the old homestead to found homes of their own. Of these but two survive, viz., Mrs. Esther Parker of East Smethport and Mrs. Amelia Merrill of Ulysses, Pa. William died in July, 1882, and Mary passed away in November, 1893. There are but two grandchildren, Hattie Maria, daughter of Mary, and Birdie, daughter of William.

After the death of her husband, July 12, 1897, the aged widow went to live with her eldest daughter at East Smethport, where the remainder of her life was spent.

An unfortunate fall in July, 1900, broke her right hip. She never recovered sufficiently to walk about, yet she bore this affliction as she had met all trials of her life, with a Christian fortitude and patience. Her hands were busy knitting lace and her mind, always bright and active, retained its faculties until the end. Though she had passed her ninety-second milestone her word of counsel and wise judgment were eagerly sought. Always gentle, cheerful and thoughtful for others; these rare virtues glowed more brightly with the advancing years and as she neared the end of her journey her dear patient face grew sweeter and her smile more heavenly as she talked of "going home."

She has passed away,
But her sweet good will
Like a fragrant odor lingers still.
The tender lesson that memory brings,
Her mantle of patience o'er us flings.
We learn to follow the path she trod,
To be more like her
Who has gone to God.

HATTIE MARIA FRIES.

Jerome K. Stull.

The subject of this sketch was born April 21, 1822, at Stulltown, in what was then Ceres township, now Eldred township. Here he lived until 24 years of age, when he came to Coryville and bought a farm where he resided the most of his life. He was married in 1846 to Ann Maria Kent and to them were born five children, only two of whom survive him, namely, Mrs. Flora Taylor of Turtle Point and J. C. of Farmers Valley. In October, 1866, occurred the death of this loved wife and mother.

In 1868 he married Miss Lydia Ann Clayson of Portville, N. Y. Two children were born to them—Mrs. Minnie Jackson and Charles W., both living in Olean, N. Y., at present.

For three years his home has been with his son, J. C., at Farmers Valley. He was a man of strict integrity and ever honest in his dealings with his neighbors. His memory was remarkable and his reminiscences of early life and struggles with poverty were very interesting.

For many years he was a consistent member of Annin Creek Baptist church, where he attended covenant meeting the last time in March.

In October last he joined Valley Grange and was very prompt in attendance although in feeble health.

For more than a year he had suffered from heart failure and in the last few months Bright's disease. He was very patient and to the last day of his life was able to walk about the house.

On Wednesday, May 13th, he passed away, after a stroke of paralysis, while lying in a peaceful slumber, with his loved ones near him. The funeral services were held in the Coryville church, Rev. P. D. Jacobus officiating, assisted by Rev. A. B. Sprague, after which the remains were taken to Stulltown where was performed the beautiful and impressive burial service of the Grange, after which he was laid to rest by the side of his loved ones who had passed on before. He is survived by one brother, Joseph Stull of Stulltown, and one sister, Mrs. Lorinda Young of Farmers Valley.

May he rest in peace until he shall be called to receive his just reward.

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Cemetery Work to be Done at Colegrove.

On Thursday, May 28th, a work bee and basket picnic will be held in the cemetery at Colegrove. Much work needs to be done on lots, fence and gates. Through the kindness of the editor of this paper we have an opportunity to invite all who have friends buried here to come and help make things better. Those who would like to help and cannot be present can send money to C. A. Anderson or N. C. Gallup at Colegrove, Pa. Ice cream and cake will be sold to help meet expenses of purchasing material for fence and gates.

On Friday evening, May 29th, a decoration service will be given in the church and graves will be strewn with flowers. Two Revolutionary soldiers are buried here. One of them (Corwin) has a headstone to mark his grave. The other (Abbey) has none. Will some of the members of the G. A. R. or the Daughters of the American Revolution look after this and see that something marks the last resting place of a Revolutionary soldier? A. M. BARTLETT.

Resolutions.

Whereas, By the hand of an overruling Providence our brother, J. K. Stull, has been removed from our midst; and

Whereas, We, as members of Valley Grange, No. 1190, remember him as an active and worthy member as long as his health would permit him to attend:

Resolved, That the members of Valley Grange, No 1190, are saddened by the departure of our worthy brother and that we extend to the bereaved relatives our heartfelt sympathy.

Resolved that these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of our order and a copy be sent to the family of our departed brother. Also the same be published in our local papers and in the Grange Bulletin.

ELMER ROEDER,
JAMES BRAY,
REGINA DAY,
Committee.

Farmers Valley, Pa., May 16, 1903.

Memorial Day Will be Observed.

Memorial Day will be observed as usual in Smethport. When is was learned that the old soldiers of this place were not able to provide for the usual exercises a number of citizens took up the matter and have raised the necessary finances to pay the expenses of a befitting observance of the day.

The Smethport band has been engaged for the occasion and good speakers have been secured. The parade will form in front of the court house at 1:30 p. m. and will march to the cemetery where the graves of the departed heroes will be decorated, after which the exercises will be held at the court house. All civic organizations are invited to take part in the parade and exercises.

Another Old Soldier Gone.

Austin A. Ainsworth, a Long Hollow farmer, and an old veteran of the civil war, died Tuesday night from cancer of the stomach after six weeks of illness and suffering. He was seventy-four years of age and was a member of Henry Metcalf Post of this city, and enlisted from Akron, N. Y., in the Third New York Volunteers, Light Artillery, Co. E. He has been feeble for several months. The funeral is held from the Turtle Point Baptist church to-day at eleven o'clock. Rev. Jacobus of this city officiates. The interment is made in the Grimes district cemetery.—Port Allegany Reporter.

Get one of those Leonard Cleanable Refrigerators and be happy. For sale at Holmes & Gilfillan's.

A fine line of green stuff can always be found at Gaskin's. Leave your order with "Bob."

Manrice Hall has some nice seed potatoes for sale at reasonable prices.

ANCIENT HISTORY.

Happening in McKean County in Days of Old, Taken from the Files.

Wm. Haskell, formerly proprietor of the Astor House in this borough, has purchased the Bennett House of H. F. Williams and is now acting the part of host in that spacious hotel. The Bennett House, under the proprietorship of Mr. Williams and his accomplished lady, has acquired the reputation of a first-class hotel and we feel assured that its reputation will be fully sustained by Mr. Haskell and lady.

The school opened in this borough on Wednesday last (May 15, 1867,) under the instructions of H. F. Barbour, Esq., of Horseheads, N. Y. Mr. Barbour is a teacher of quite an experience, has been a student of Alfred University ten terms and from the very worthy manner he passed through the ordeal of our superintendent's examination, we see no reason why we are not to be blessed with the best of schools this term.

A dispatch from Council Bluffs, Iowa, dated May 11, 1867, says: A steamer passed down the river to-day bringing the news of the destruction of the steamer Miner by Indians, about 500 miles above Sioux City. The boat landed to take in wood and, while the men were chopping, the Indians, 200 in number, surrounded and butchered the whole party and captured the boat, killing and scalping men, women and childred indiscriminately. Only two men escaped. After pillaging the boat of all valuables they burned it to the water's edge.

Capt. Frank Bell, one of the braves of the noted Kane Rifles, has received the brevet of major for gallantry, meritorious services, etc. No man deserve recognition from the War Department more than Major Bell. He was one of the bravest of the brave all through the war and the loss of a leg attests his devotion to his country. From Judge Scofield we learn that he has recently received a clerical appointment in the Treasury Department. Good for you, Major, and may you yet become the head of the Department is the wish of your many friends in McKean.

If we may credit the accounts that reach us from Mexico, the end has come at last. The city of Queretaro, where the Emperor Maximilian had made his last desperate stand with his troops, has been taken by the Republicans after a protracted siege and the Emperor captured with his generals Miramon, Mejia and Castillo. The capture of Maximilian ends the existence of the Empire, if it does not result in the loss of the head of the prisoner. If the case were reversed and some ambitious Mexican had invaded Austria, taken possession of the palace of its rulers and after a few years' struggle with fire, sword and confiscation to establish his power, been taken prisoner, how long would be the time from his capture to his execution? Just as long as it would require an executioner to sharpen an ax or erect a gibbet. Certainly no longer. But of course the Mexicans dare not injure the invader Maximilian. He belongs to those invested in the divine right to rule and in parlance of kings can do no wrong. It is not for us to decide the fate of Maximilian. He is in the hands of those whom he essayed to make slaves and subjects and he invaded Mexico at a time when the class he represents in Europe desired the destruction of Republican institutions in the new world.

A lodge of Free Masons entitled McKean Lodge, No. 388, was instituted in Smethport on Wednesday, June 5, 1867. The installation exercises were conducted by D. G. M. Dick, assisted by P. M. Foster, Porter and Hay. The following officers were installed: W. M.—S. C. Hyde; S. W.—J. C. Backus; J. W.—Miles Irons; S. D.—Warren Stark; J. D.—Wm. Gifford; Secretary—M. A. Sprague; Treasurer—S. D. Freeman.

Married, on Wednesday, May 29, 1867, at the residence of Benjamin F. Britton—South Bergen—by the Rev. D. R. Lowrie, Mr. J. R. Townsend of this place to Miss Mittie A. Taylor of Cape May, N. J.

On Thursday, June 6, 1867, by A. B. Armstrong, Esq., Mr. John C. Bard of this place and Miss Jane Comes of Keating township.

In Norwich, June 6, 1867, by C. P. Rice, Esq., Mr. Wm. C. Dickeson and Miss Esther Gallup, both of the above place.

Leroy Lyman of Roulette, Potter county, and Warren Stark of Keating township, this county, went out hunting on Monday last, on Coal Creek, and caught six young wolves and killed one fine deer. We call this a pretty good day's work.

Mr. Abner Rockwell, who was recently lost in the woods, was out seven days and nights. We are informed that all he ate during that time was a piece of "crinkle root" about three inches long and one look. For the first twelve hours after he came in he neither ate nor drank anything but buttermilk, of which he drank moderately, drinking a swallow or two once in about fifteen or twenty minutes until he had drunk about three pints. He is now feeling quite well and is fast regaining his strength.

Baby Show at Bradford.

The baby show given by the Humane Society at Bradford last Monday was a decided success. In speaking of the awarding of the prizes by the judges the Star says: They had no difficulty in choosing the healthiest and heaviest baby, but when it came to picking the most beautiful baby and twins they found themselves up against it, so to speak, and they one and all struck. It was finally decided to place the names of all the babies on slips, these to be placed in a hat and one chosen, the child whose name was chosen to be awarded the prize. The lucky baby was little Dorothy Schuman, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Schuman of East Bradford. The gold lined silver cup for the healthiest baby was awarded to Olive O'Neill, aged 10 months. To decide upon the heaviest baby was easy work for the judges, and the prize was quickly awarded to Glenn Passmore, aged ten months, who weighs 32 pounds and is a fine sample of a pretty, healthy and bouncing baby. The parents reside at Rew City. The "Davis twins," the beautiful and bright children of Mr. and Mrs. Fred K. Davis of Kennedy street, were awarded the prize for the most beautiful twins.

Indian Bill's Grand Parade.

Daily will be seen Indian Bill's grand parade. This will be one of the most striking and dramatic pageants ever witnessed by the public in the streets of any city.

There will be Indians in all their native picturesqueness and grandeur; bucks, chiefs, squaws, pappooses, ponies; in fact, everything belonging to the great tribes represented will march through the streets just as they do on the plains.

Trappers, cowboys, vaqueros, scouts, ranchmen, pioneers, and their animals, outfits and appurtenances will pass in review before the people.

This show, though picturesque as it can be, because of its almost kaleidoscopic changes of costumes, is wholly unlike a circus. It is, in fact, as different from a circus as could be imagined, as its parade, which will begin at 10:30, will show most eloquently.

Indian Bill's grand parade is a show in itself, furnished gratuitously to the public daily.

Will exhibit at Smethport to-morrow.

License Decisions.

Judge J. W. Bouton handed down his decisions on licenses at 10 o'clock Monday morning. All the old licenses were granted with the exception of that of M. J. Cunningham of Eldred. Four new licenses were refused, as follows: Mike Myers, Myers House, Bradford; M. C. Caskey, Farmers Hotel, Smethport; Dawson P. Crowe, Park Avenue Hotel, Kane; Jay Stickles and Louis D. Cleveland, eating house, East Smethport.

The new licenses granted were: M. J. Collins and Jos. W. Bedeaux, Central House, Eldred; Fritz Block, White Star Hotel, Hazelhurst; Frederick J. Silfies, Clermont, hotel license; George Welker, Kane, wholesale; S. M. McCarty and Chas. Crowley, Kane, bottlers. Messrs. Silfies and Block had formerly had eating house licenses and they were allowed hotel licenses.

Ole Bull's Castle Burned.

Ole Bull's grey old rock-bound castle, which since 1852 has stood guard over the inhabitants of Oleona, is a memory. The great Norwegian violinist's home, perched on the mountain summit overlooking that place, after years of litigation and law suits as to its title, has at last been claimed by the fire fiend and all that remains of the stately edifice to-day is a few crumbling, blackened, fire-charred walls. The employes of the Lackawanna Lumber company, which corporation now owns the 120,000 acres Ole Bull settled, made a determined effort to save the old landmark, but notwithstanding their brave work, the relentless flames, devouring alike man and nature's handiwork, swept the last vestige of "Ole Bull's Folly" from the face of Potter county, the scene of the grand old man's futile attempt at colonization.—Potter Democrat.

Carriages and Buggies.

E. T. Daly, the liveryman, has a new stock of carriages and buggies which he will sell at prices that cannot fail to suit you. They are Waterloo and other standard makes. If you want a good carriage or buggy now is your opportunity.

Horseshoeing. Blacksmithing.

We have secured the services of Mr. F. W. Perkins, an expert horseshoer and are now prepared to give special attention to all kinds of common or special shoeing. Wagon and buggy repairs done while you wait.

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"You've something new on your mind, Bud; I know it."

Rose Copley's clinging fingers held her husband fast. "Killian will do you nothing but harm, Bud. Why do you go with him?" The moonlight glinting through the poplar leaves sparkled on gathering tears.

"Pshaw, Rosie, Tim's all right. We've long worked on the section together. I must see him tonight and find out if Maxey will take us on again. That's his whistle now."

He shook her off impatiently and strode off, turning his head to call: "Go in and tend to baby. I'll soon be back."

The woman sighed, wiped her eyes and stepped up the path to the small brown cottage. She glanced at the child slumbering peacefully in his crib, moved about uneasily and again stood at the door, her black eyes straining into the darkness.

"I cannot settle down," she mused. "Poor old Bud! He never touched the tools, and it's two weeks since they laid him off. Dear me! I wish I could forget that dream. Two nights running I've dreamed it. The roar and tremble and crash and screams. I can't remember the place and faces, but they were familiar at the time. Pshaw! I'm upset and nervous about things, and the 11 o'clock tearing through was the cause, I guess."

With her easy, good natured husband and the baby, Rose thought herself a lucky woman. Only recently Bud had been irritable at times. The mystery of the missing tools was yet to be cleared up. A wrench had been found in Killian's room, and Bud was with him at the tool house the night before.

"I've no business to bother him," she thought repentantly.

Nervously she waited while the minutes crept along, then with sudden decision picked up her gray shawl and stepped to the crib in the corner. "Baby will sleep [illegible]," she whispered. [illegible] She left the door and sped down the road.

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"Hello, Bud!"

"Hello, [illegible]! Who are your friends?"

"A couple of new men. Mr. Lutz—Mr. Copley. Mr. Copley—Mr. Grayle. My pal, boys."

The men shook hands in the shade of the great elm.

"Section work?" interrogated Bud.

"Yes, Maxey's put us on. Tim, here, I knowed well in the Albany yards. Going on, Mike? I guess we can find the place." The strangers shifted back from the [illegible].

"What's up?" asked Copley.

Killian answered [illegible]. "Bad spread this side of the gap. Let's go down and show [illegible]. We've nothing on hand, and [illegible] the tools [illegible] in the [illegible] job [illegible]." Killian [illegible] dropped behind with Copley.

"Bud," [illegible] "we're fished!"

"What?" The other halted.

"Fact. I've got my notice. Your turn tomorrow."

"It's an infernal outrage!" cursed Copley angrily. "In all the years I've worked they never had a complaint. What'll I do? I'm married and settled here. I can't move."

Killian began to swear. "The d——d corporation. I'd like to see 'em in trouble."

"By Jove, I would." Copley stumbled along despairingly.

The moon in sudden brilliance glittered upon the shining rails, curving into the ravine beyond. Ahead and seventy feet below the river brawled against the abutments of the bridge.

"Good!" muttered Killian. "We'll get even, eh?"

Bud did not reply. His brain was whirling. "Rose—the baby—the happy little home." He staggered on.

The track curved sharply just this side of the gap. There waited their companions.

"The crowbar, Mike. Grayle, you help him." Copley, examining the nearby rails, did not heed Killian's voice, so full of import. On his knees, he looked up. "Nothing spread here, boys, that I see."

The others came close with hard faces. "There will be," spoke Killian grimly. "You're in on this, Bud. No fooling! We'll get even and more pickings than would come to us in years of slaving. No one will suspect you. We chaps will be miles away by morning. You can take your time. Anyway, you're in on it."

But the other was regarding him in horror. "For God's sake, Tim!" he gasped. "You're fooling! No? You dirty devil, let me up! Help! Help! H-e-l-p"—

"Hit him again, Grayle! There, that settles the fool! I thought he had more sand. Why did I bring him? Thought he might take hold, and I wanted his mouth shut, if he didn't. What a yell he let out. Lie low for awhile. There is time enough."

He kicked the senseless form, and the three worthies secreted themselves behind a bowlder. Killian whispered: "Wait ten minutes; then we'll do the trick—lay him where he'll get hit, and folks 'll think he done it. See?" A pause, then another whisper—"He got the woman I wanted, blast him!"

Mr. Grayle nudged Mr. Lutz.

About a quarter of 11 the men stole out. A minute's hard work with the crowbar, and the rail lifted. "Off, to this side a bit, boys. That's right. Oh, oh!"

Three spits of flame from a bush of spruce thirty feet away—"Crack! Crack! Crack!" Timothy Killian threw up his arms, collapsed and rolled over, clutching the gravel. Grayle clapped a hand to his shoulder, then dashed into the undergrowth after his companion.

A woman came cautiously forward, peered about and fell upon her knees in the ditch. Then she screamed, and again the revolver echoed among the hills. From the station only a quarter of a mile away men came running with lanterns and cries.

Maxey, the section foreman, was in the van. Now in the center of the track stood a shouting figure. "Go back! Go back! Stop the express! Stop it, I say!"

"It's Rose Copley, boys!" cried Maxey. "Something's wrong. Run; for heaven's sake, run! That's her whistle now."

The roar of the heavy passenger train sobered to a rumble, then to a panting stop not fifty feet from the excited group. Through the sleepers spread the ominous rumor. People poured out.

"A doctor? Yes, two of them! Well, hurry up!" There was work for both.

"Who was the girl? Was that her husband? What was the story anyway?"

Expressions of horror, wrath and admiration; a fat man busy with a hat; a short speech mingled with sounds of hammering; "All aboard!" a scramble, and the great coaches swung slowly on in the glory of the summer night and crossed the gap.

Copley's first word was for the train. He fell back, thanking God. Then he groped for the hand that had saved.

"He wants to speak to you, Mr. Maxey," sobbed Rosie, shedding her first tears.

The rough railroad man bent down, his own eyes streaming. "What is it, my boy?"

"Can't you take me back? I never touched the tools. Tim said you"—

"Take you back! Never thought of letting you go! Why, you're my best man, Bud. Bad company; that's all. You're quit of it now."

He turned, shaking a savage fist at the limp form on the hand car. "Better for him, I guess, if Rose's bullet had struck an inch lower."

Mere Curiosity.

A well known judge, who is as famous for his wit as for his corpulency, was recently disturbed in mind by his [illegible]

[illegible]

"Oh! [illegible] twenty pounds of pork."

The butcher sharpened his knife and at once [illegible]. The judge looked at [illegible] a minute or two and then walked off.

"Stop! I sent the pork to your [illegible]

[illegible] it was." [illegible]

Greatest World Power.

An idea is the greatest power in the world. Ideas have moved armies, made nations and created civilizations. Just as surely ideas tangibly affect our immediate material surroundings. The recognition of this truth is destined to revolutionize philosophies within the next few generations. Its farreaching results will constitute the revelation of the twentieth century, says Vim.

One in Bethlehem of Judea enunciated the truth many years ago when he taught what faith would accomplish. We of succeeding centuries reiterated the divine message as the merest platitude, utterly failing to comprehend its greater meaning. Now we find ourselves on the verge of an awakening to the true significance of thought force.

This much we already know—that it is a mystery hovering on the border land between the material and the spiritual, to be approached with the reverent investigation which the inspired man of science always brings to bear on the wonders of the universe.

Gallant Victor Hugo.

During the latter years of his long life Victor Hugo was very fond of surveying mankind from the vantage ground of the top of an omnibus. He used to make long excursions through the gay city perched on the top of the homely bus, which he seemed to prefer to any other vehicle. An amusing and characteristic anecdote of the great poet, who was most courteous and attentive to the lovely sex, is related by a review. One fine day, as he was enjoying a ride under these conditions, a fascinating young woman climbed up to the summit of the tram car on which he was seated and steered her way toward the only vacant place, which happened to be the one next to him. She was about to take possession of it when a sudden jolt sent her instead into Victor Hugo's lap. As soon as she had recovered herself the pretty girl turned to the poet and, her fair cheeks suffused with crimson, said, "I beg your pardon, monsieur." "And I," he replied gallantly, "thank you, mademoiselle."

How the Butterfly Is Protected.

The brilliant coloring on the wings of some kinds of butterflies is a bitter tasting pigment, which to a certain extent protects those species from being eaten by their foes. Frogs will try to eat sulphur butterflies, and, after tasting them, will promptly reject them. The brilliant colors may be produced in order to advertise the nauseous taste as well as to aid the butterfly in attracting a mate of its own kind. We may be equally ignorant of the latent social powers of birds.

Hasty Judgment.

Jones—Women are not good listeners.

Johnson—Evidently you've never had 'em for servants.—Kansas City Independent.

"KEEP YOUR MOUTH SHUT"

People Who Say Little and Drink Less "Get There" Oftenest.

"Help me to catch him, mister," said the small boy as he dashed by in panting pursuit of his juvenile enemy.

"Keep your mouth shut, and you'll catch him," advised the man, and the boy understood in an instant and, understanding, closed his mouth and ran on, easily running down the object of his pursuit, who had been running open mouthed and was soon doubled up with a stitch in his side.

There is a good deal in keeping your mouth shut. There are more people in the world who never open a mouth without putting a foot in it than you have any idea of. You may be a fool, but if you keep your mouth shut who's to know it? Generally you can size up the fellows who'll get there, are getting there or have got there by the way their lower jaw hangs. You may occasionally meet a wise man wandering around with his mouth open, but not as a usual thing.

It's what people say and drink chiefly that cause them to appear before the police magistrate. If they had kept their mouths shut, they would not have said it or drunk it. More foolish fish are caught with hooks in the mouth than through the tail. The fellow who goes around with his mouth open may catch a few flies in the aperture, but he isn't likely to catch anything very valuable that way. It's the fellow who sets his teeth and consequently shuts his mouth who gets there.—Toronto Star.

WOMEN'S HATS.

Men, Says a Milliner, Are Keen Judges of Becoming Effects.

"Don't think for a minute that men know nothing about women's hats," said a milliner. "I don't refer to men who can describe feminine frills with the fluency of a floorwalker. I mean the average specimen, who doesn't know the difference between a toque and a Gainsborough. They are keen judges of effects, better than their wives. Men often come in here with their wives. The woman begins to try on all the hats in the shop. The man grows nervous. While madam will pirouette before the mirror and view the creation from every side before [illegible] the man gives his opinion without a bit of hesitation.

"'Take it off!' he will say. 'You look like a Sioux brave with his war bonnet on!'

"He doesn't know why he disapproves. He couldn't describe the trimming if he tried, but he does know that it doesn't suit his wife. Without waiting a second he gives his decision, and his wife is almost in tears as she sees him turn down some of the prettiest models. But he doesn't care how they look in the window or on the head of Mrs. Jones or Mrs. Brown. He wants something that is becoming to his wife.

"At last she tries on the hat he wants. He knows it even before she has had a chance to glance at herself in the mirror. And I would say that his judgment usually coincides with ours."—New York Press.

Driving Twelve Horses.

Here is an arithmetical problem for you. If it is great fun to drive one horse, how much fun is it to drive twelve horses? It is easy to a natural answer to say twelve times as much fun, but if you were to ask me I should say divide one by twelve, and you will have a more correct answer. Think of it, twelve horses to manage at once! That is a sight I saw a few days ago, however, in the crowded streets of New York. The driver showed such superb horsemanship that people in the streets stopped to admire his dexterity. The horses were drawing immense steel girders to be used in erecting a skyscraper. Two men went ahead of this cavalcade to warn the cars to stop at convenient places for passing and to clear the street generally. Especially where a corner was turned was there much admiration expressed for the driver's skill. There he sat, as calm and cool as if driving an old nag down a country lane instead of twelve sturdy horses down New York's busiest thoroughfare, Broadway.—New York Letter in Pittsburg Dispatch.

Greek and Bulgar.

"The struggle for racial supremacy between the Slav and Hellene," says a writer on Macedonia, "a struggle as old as the hills, is here identified with and imbittered by the religious strife which rages between the followers of the Bulgarian exarch and those of the Greek patriarch—the schismatic and the orthodox parties. This animosity pervades and poisons all the relations of life, private no less than public. A Greek will on no account speak to or shake hands with a Bulgar. Nor will a Bulgar patronize a shop kept by a Greek. The antipathy between the two nationalities amounts almost to physical repugnance. It far exceeds any feeling of enmity that either of them may entertain toward the Turk, who has ground them both to the dust during five centuries of the most unmitigated oppression imaginable."

Sunday.

In A. D. 313 the Emperor Constantine of Rome granted toleration to the Christians, and in 321 he gave imperial sanction to the observance of the first day of the week. The edict which introduced a new era in Sunday observance runs: "On the venerable day of the sun let the magistrate and people residing in cities rest and let all workshops be closed. In the country, however, persons engaged in the work of cultivation may freely and lawfully continue their pursuits, because it often happens that another day is not so suitable for grain sowing or for vine planting, lest by neglecting the proper moment for such operations the bounty of heaven should be lost."

Knew That Didn't Pay.

Mrs. Woodby Ruyter—What does your husband do for a living?

Mrs. Kautton (haughtily)—He's an author.

Mrs. Woodby Ruyter—I know; so is mine. But, I say, what does your husband do for a living?—Philadelphia Press.

Incidents of Foreign Travel.

Mr. C. E. Johnstone in Travel says that experienced wanderers in out of the way places are thankful for what they can get, and he instances a traveler who was proposing to pass the night at Njegus, a tiny village in Montenegro.

"Have you succeeded in finding a room?" asked Mr. Johnstone.

"Y-yes."

"Is it a good room?"

"N-not bad. There are three other people going to sleep in it."

"Oh, well, that's all right. Is the bed clean?"

"N-no, I don't know that the bed is clean. But then one can get clean beds at home!"

In one continental hotel a German lady summoned the waiter in the dining room and said:

"Close that window or I shall die."

"Garcon," exclaimed an English lady, "leave it open or I shall expire!"

At this point a Frenchman interposed politely: "Leave it open till the German lady has died, and then close it till the English lady has expired. Then we shall be able to do as we like!"

Stale Medicines.

"The length of time a prescription retains its efficacy depends upon the ingredients," said a druggist. "Some combinations of drugs keep on good terms with each other indefinitely, while others get into a row after being mixed together for awhile, and the man who swallows a dose of the compound is apt to feel a good deal worse than before he took it. As a rule, medicines that are quite sweet keep their curative virtues longer than those that are acid or bitter. Most any medicine can be taken in safety six months after compounding, and many will be all right six years hence. Those that are not good generally take on a curdled, milky appearance, but that is by no means an infallible rule, and the person who wishes to save his system uncomfortable complications would do well to let old medicines strictly alone."—New York Press.

The Inventors of Stoves.

One of the first attempts at making a closed stove of iron was made by Cardinal Polignac in 1709, and seventy years later an attempt was made to introduce stoves of this kind into England, but without success, owing to the prejudice of English people in favor of [illegible].

The Franklin stove was invented by Dr. Franklin in 1745, a quarter of a century later. In 1771, and during a few years following the discovery of electricity, he invented several other stoves, one of which was designed for burning bituminous coal and which had a downward draft and consumed its own smoke.

Count Rumford was the next person to tackle invention looking to the improvement of stoves and during the ten years between 1785 and 1795 devised several improvements.

Payment on Delivery.

"Here is a story told me the other night," says a writer in the London Tatler. "Lord Tennyson, as all the world knows, wrote a sonnet for the first number of the Nineteenth Century. As it stands in the poet's 'Collected Works' it reads quite differently from its form as first presented, where it ran:

"'[illegible]'

"Mr. Knowles, the editor, wrote back to suggest that this line should be altered, as a check for the amount of the poem would certainly be forthcoming and that the public might misunderstand."

King Who Never Smiled Again.

"One of the questions asked at a recent teachers' examination," says a college professor, "was, 'Can you name the monarch referred to in English history as the king who never smiled again?'

"The reply of one of the fair candidates for a license to teach was, 'King William Rufus after he was shot in the forest.'

"History records that the shot was fatal."

An Ant Nest Compass.

In the tropical northern territory of South Australia travelers need not carry a compass. Nature has provided a living compass for them. The district abounds with the nests of the magnetic or meridian ant. The longer axis of these nests or mounds is always in a perfect line with the parallel of latitude pointing due north and south. Scientists cannot explain this peculiar orientation.

Strategy.

"But we haven't a cockroach in the house," interrupted the woman at the door.

"Well, you will have in a few days, ma'am. They've got them next door to you. I sold a package of this preparation there, and it always drives 'em to the neighbors."—Exchange.

The Key to the Situation.

Husband—Darling, I'm too tired to go to that dance tonight. Do you mind going alone?

Wife—Why, no. But when I get home where shall I leave the latchkey?—Smart Set.

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Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. 208, October Term, 1902.

McKEAN COUNTY, ss:—THE COMMONwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said county, greeting:

Whereas, Leona G. Andrews did on the 21 day of August, 1902, prefer her petition to our said Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said county, praying for the causes therein set forth she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you, Major D. Andrews.

We therefore command you, the said Major D. Andrews, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever, you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport, at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the county of McKean on the first Monday of June next, to answer the petition or libel of Leona G. Andrews, and show cause, if any you have, why the said Leona G. Andrews, your wife, should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony, agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

A true copy.

CHARLES E. MAYS, Sheriff.

Smethport, Pa., May 5, 1903.
D. H. Jack, Libellant's Attorney.

Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. 29, June Term, 1902.

McKEAN COUNTY, ss:—THE COMMONwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said county, greeting:

Whereas, Sadie A. Farnsworth did, on the 25th day of February, 1902, prefer her petition to our said Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said county, praying for the causes therein set forth she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you, E. B. Farnsworth.

We therefore command you, the said E. B. Farnsworth, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever, you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport, at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the county of McKean, on the first Monday of June next to answer the petition or libel of Sadie A. Farnsworth and show cause, if any you have, why the said Sadie A. Farnsworth, your wife, should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony, agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

A true copy.

CHARLES E. MAYS, Sheriff.

Smethport, Pa., May 5, 1903.
E. L. Ryan, Libellant's Attorney.

Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. [illegible], October Term, 1902.

McKEAN COUNTY, ss:—THE COMMONwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said county, greeting:

Whereas, Mollie Killinger did, on the 3rd day of June, 1902, prefer her petition to our said Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said County, praying for the causes therein set forth she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you, Harry Killinger.

We therefore command you, the said Harry Killinger, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever, you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport, at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the County of McKean, on the first Monday of June next to answer the petition or libel of Mollie Killinger and show cause, if any you have, why the said Mollie Killinger, your wife, should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony, agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

A true copy.

CHARLES E. MAYS, Sheriff.

Smethport, Pa., May [illegible]
M. L. [illegible], Libellant's Attorney.

Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. [illegible], October Term, 1902.

McKEAN COUNTY, ss:—THE COMMONwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said county, greeting:

Whereas, Mary E. Flinchbaugh did, on the 1st day of August 1902, prefer her petition to our said Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said county, praying for the causes therein set forth she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you, Charles Flinchbaugh.

We therefore command you the said Charles Flinchbaugh, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever, you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport, at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the county of McKean, on the first Monday of June next to answer the petition or libel of Mary E. Flinchbaugh and show cause, if any you have, why the said Mary E. Flinchbaugh, your wife, should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony, agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

A true copy.

CHARLES E. MAYS, Sheriff.

Smethport, Pa., May 5, 1903.
Mullin & Mullin, Libellant's Attorneys.

Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. [illegible], October Term, 1902.

McKEAN COUNTY, ss:—THE COMMONwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said county, greeting:

Whereas, Nettie A. Fox did, on the [illegible] day of September, 1902, prefer her petition to our said Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said county, praying for the causes therein set forth she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you, Charles E. Fox.

We therefore command you, the said Charles E. Fox, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever, you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport, at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the county of McKean on the first Monday of June next to answer the petition or libel of Nettie A. Fox and show cause, if any you have, why the said Nettie A. Fox, your wife, should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony, agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

A true copy.

CHARLES E. MAYS, Sheriff.

Smethport, Pa., May 5, 1903.
C. E. Judd, Libellant's Attorney.

NOTICE.

THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS OF ADMINistrators, Executors and Guardians, having been settled in the office of the Register of Wills, the same will be presented for confirmation at the Orphans' Court to be held at Smethport, in and for the county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, on the first Monday of June A. D. 1903:

First and partial account of W. D. Hatch, administrator of the estate of C. C. Hatch, deceased.

First and partial account of Lester H. Simons, administrator of the estate of Bear Fordonski.

First and partial account of Carrie T. Brennan and Murton J. Gallup, executors of the last will and testament of Henry J. Brennan, deceased.

First and partial account of Murton J. Gallup, executor of the last will and testament of John W. Brennan, deceased.

First and final account of George H. Denning, administrator of the estate of William A. Green, deceased.

First and final account of David Phillips, administrator of J. H. VanWormer, deceased, by Hey V. Phillips and D. H. Jack, executors of David Phillips, deceased.

First and final account of L. M. Lunphere, executor of the last will and testament of C. L. Hargraves, deceased.

First and final account of S. H. Collin, administrator of the estate of Frederick H. Donihl, deceased.

First and final account of Isaac Cohn, executor of the last will and testament of Hyman Cohn, deceased.

Second and final account of Lester H. Simons, administrator of the estate of Bear Fordonski, deceased.

First and final account of S. L. Wolfe, D. E. Wolfe and Lucy A. Leech, executors of the last will and testament of J. D. Wolfe, deceased.

First and final account of William H. Duncan, administrator of the estate of Franc H. Duncan, deceased.

Final account of H. L. Chapman, executor of the last will and testament of A. M. Benton, deceased.

First and final account of Ida A. Douglass, administratrix of the estate of A. C. Douglass, deceased.

First and partial account of Joshua Davis and Tryphena Moffitt, executors of the last will and testament of M. W. Moffitt, deceased.

John B. Eastman, Register.
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Smethport, Thursday, May 21, 1903.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—The residence of F. L. Holmes on Main street is being decorated by L. Koenig & Son.

—It is reported that the Pennsylvania Railroad company will enlarge its shops at Olean this summer.

—The shops of the Bovaird & Seyfang Manufacturing company at Bradford are to be rebuilt and enlarged.

—John Kreblin, a well-known resident of East Olean, hung himself in his barn on Wednesday afternoon of last week while temporarily insane.

—Hon. George C. Fagnan, who has been suffering with appendicitis, is improving rapidly. This will be good news to his many friends in this section.

—Mr. Edward Butler and Miss Ella Farrell of Port Allegany were married recently at that place. The bride was formerly connected with the Reporter.

—A woman who was snatched from in front of a moving train at Lynn the other day just in time to save her life, abused the man who rescued her for handling her so roughly and disarranging her clothes.

—Captain Thomas Conneely, inspector of rifle practice of the 16th Regiment, N. G. P., proprietor of the Conneely Hotel and a well known citizen of Bradford, died at his home in Bradford on Saturday, from a stroke of apoplexy.

—Fred Stein and James Draper, who were held to court under $800 bail on a charge of stealing brass from the McKeown estate, were taken to Smethport Monday by Constable Spreter and lodged in the county jail to await trial.—Bradford Era.

—Frank McCarthy of Bradford tried to end his life in Rochester, Sunday, by taking a quantity of morphine and slashing his throat with a knife. He was discovered in time to save his life. It is thought that he was mentally deranged at the time.

—Through an oversight last week we did not mention that 'Squire B. L. Knapp had moved his office from the court house to rooms in the hose house. The 'Squire is pleasantly located in the dining hall of the hose house and the change is an improvement.

—Decoration Day will be observed. The G. A. R. post has engaged the Smethport band for the occasion. The oration will be delivered in Mrs. Lamphier's orchard and Mr. Lamphier's grave will be decorated, he being the only soldier of the Revolutionary war buried in McKean county.—From Eldred Eagle ancient history, May 18, 1883.

—Our Wellsboro exchanges tell of some peddlers who have been swindling women in that section on black silk dress patterns. It is reported that the goods sold by these men are almost worthless, although they appear to be all right.

—An ice cream social will be held next Wednesday, May 27th, in Odd Fellows Hall, Smethport, by the local lodge, Thor No. 11, S. B. of A. A short program will begin at 8 o'clock and an exhibition of fine stereopticon views from Scandinavia will follow. Admission, including refreshments, is 25 cents, children, 10 cents.

—James P. Flannagan, bookkeeper for Bovaird & Co., saved the life of a youngster yesterday morning from being crushed out beneath the wheels of an Erie locomotive. The boy attempted to cross the tracks on lower Main street, ahead of the approaching engine. He was directly in front of the locomotive, when Flannagan, seeing the danger, grabbed the child at the risk of his own life and carried him to a place of safety.—Friday's Bradford Era.

—Although the attendance at the concert given by the Ithaca Conservatory of Music Concert company at the Methodist church last Saturday night was very small, owing partly to criticisms of last year's company, those present were well pleased with the program as a whole, and many were delighted with the pleasing contralto and charming reader. These young people have done much toward redeeming the reputation of the conservatory. It is too bad that the church had to pay the penalty.

—Hurrah for the American girl! Listen to what somebody who knows has recently said about her: "The American girl is the most competent girl in the world. She can do more work, and do it better, than any other girl upon the shores of the Seven Seas. She can play, too, as heartily as she works. She is beautiful, well dressed, well cared for, and she is a creature of superb health. Given a house she can make it neat, comfortable, even beautiful; and when she loves enough she makes a home that is a home out of her house."

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Correspondence

FARMERS VALLEY.

Miss Fannie Tretton of the county seat called on friends in East Valley last Friday. She was enroute to Wellsville where she will visit relatives.

The dance which was held in this place last Friday evening was a success. Out of town guests were present from Coryville and Smethport.

Mrs. Rebecca Stull of Niagara Falls has been in town for a few days. She attended the funeral of the late Jerome Stull, who died recently.

Miss Bessie Skinner returned to her home at McKeans Switch after spending three weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fields.

Mrs. Wm. Carpenter and children of Coryville spent last Sunday with her mother, Mrs. J. McGill, of Pierce Brook.

Mrs. Myrtle Youmans and infant son of Ormsby have been visiting at her parents home in this place.

Mrs. Mary Caldwell has returned home from Bradford where she has been visiting relatives.

Miss Lucy Turner of State Line has been spending a few days with friends in town.

Mrs. E. J. Cooper of Olean returned to her home in that place last Tuesday.

B. A. Rice of Clermont was transacting business in the Valley last Monday.

John Voorhees of the county seat was seen passing through town Monday.

Several of our people will attend the show at the county seat Friday.

Mr. Ackerman of Olean, N. Y., was in town this week on business.

Mrs. Frisbee of Coryville was visiting friends in town last week.

Herman Cooper of Smethport spent Sunday with friends here.

Master Raphael McGill was in East Smethport last Monday.

Mrs. Smith was in Coryville Tuesday.

Interchangeable 1,000-Mile Refund Tickets.

Commencing June 1st, 1903, interchangeable 1,000-Mile Refund Tickets will be placed on sale, limited to one year from date of issue, good only for transportation of the owner, with usual free allowance of 150 pounds baggage, over any of the following lines:

Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, between all points east of Ohio river and between Pittsburg and Kane. Also to and from points on Philadelphia and Reading Railway and Central Railroad of New Jersey between Philadelphia and New York.

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Lehigh Valley Railroad.

Pennsylvania Railroad.

These tickets will be sold at rate of $30 each, subject to refund of $10 on surrender of cover to Trunk Lines Mileage Ticket Bureau, No. 143 Liberty street, New York, at any time within eighteen months from date of purchase.

This form of ticket will be issued in deference to requests of numerous patrons of the lines in interest desiring one ticket good over several lines instead of having to provide themselves as at present with a separate ticket for each line they desire to use.

Agents at principal stations of the railroads named above will have these tickets on sale and give all further information regarding them that may be required.

Low-Rate Excursion to Buffalo and Niagara Falls, Decoration Day

On Decoration Day, Saturday, May 30, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will run a special low-rate excursion to Buffalo and Niagara Falls. Round trip tickets, good going only on train indicated, and good returning on all regular trains stopping at stations named, May 30 and 31, but not good in Pullman sleeping or parlor cars, will be sold at rates indicated:

	Train leaves.	Rate
Port Allegany	9:25 a. m.	$2.25
Turtle Point	9:34 "	2.25
Clermont	8:45 "	2.50
Colegrove	9:00 "	2.50
Crosby	9:08 "	2.50
Smethport	9:14 "	2.25
Farmers Valley	9:22 "	2.25
Larabee	9:45 "	2.15
Eldred	9:53 "	2.00
Bullis Mills	10:03 "	1.90
Buffalo	Ar. 12:40 p. m.	
Niagara Falls	" 1:40 "	

Children between 5 and 12 years of age, half rates.

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The Cipher.

It has not been definitely established that zero was in use any earlier than 400 A. D. About this time it was used in India, and several centuries later the Arabs began to employ it. Through the Arabs its use became known to Europeans during the twelfth century. It was not generally adopted in Europe until several centuries later, notwithstanding its great advantages. For a considerable time there were two parties among the European educators. One party, known as the algorists, favored the adoption of the Hindoo system of notation (falsely called Arabic), with its position values, while the other, known as the abacists, favored the Roman notation, without zero or position value.

The general adoption of the Hindoo system was greatly facilitated by the facts that it was explained in most of the calendars for more than a century, beginning with 1300, and that the medieval universities frequently offered courses devoted to the use of this notation.—G. A. Miller in Science.

No Cause For Alarm.

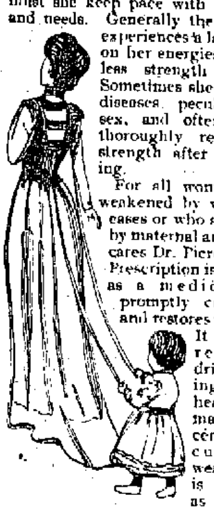
Insurance Agent—Now that you have a wife, don't you think you ought to take out a life policy?

New Wed—Oh, I guess not! I don't think she is going to prove dangerous.—Chicago News.

Steel rusts seven times as rapidly as iron.

HARD DRIVEN.

The mother slowly times her footsteps to those of her baby driver. Yet she is hard driven because not alone in the brief moments of play, but all day long must she keep pace with baby's wants and needs. Generally the mother who experiences a larger demand on her energies has less and less strength to respond. Sometimes she suffers from diseases peculiar to her sex, and often has never thoroughly recovered her strength after baby's coming.



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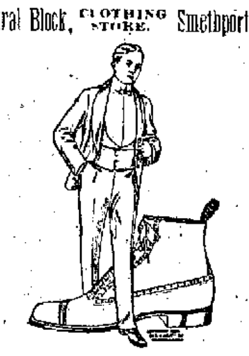

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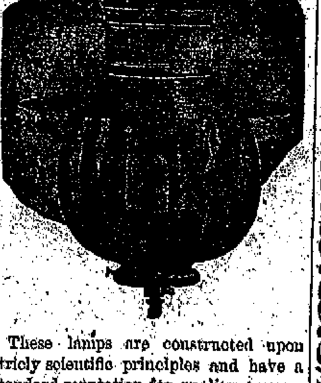

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HARRY L. BACKUS,
Editor and Prop'r.

Smethport, Thursday, May 21, 1903.

GOVERNOR PENNYPACKER has approved the bill appropriating $35,000 for the Bradford hospital.

THE degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred upon President Roosevelt by President Wheeler of the University of California last Thursday.

THE lunacy of extreme unionism has reached the limit at Chicago where the barbers are in a row with the union of meat packers over the grave question of jurisdiction in the shaving of pigs' feet. This is a delicate matter and the inference must be irresistable that the Chicago barbers who insist that those who shave the feet of pigs are under the jurisdiction of their union, are in the habit of shaving hogs. Seriously, however, it is this sort of silliness that is doing more to injure the unions than all the opposition of those opposed to them.

THE Salus-Grady bill was intended to curb the expressions and cartoons of a few "yellow" journals in this State and was not expected to injure the interests of the reputable newspapers in this Commonwealth is the line of defence used by many of the members of the legislative bodies who assisted in the passage of this bill. If this is true the law makers of Pennsylvania never came wider of the mark than in this piece of legislation. To convince them of their mistake they only have to glance at the pages of these "yellows." Their cartoons and editorials are more offensive to the powers that be than ever before. These so-called "yellows" openly defy Governor Pennypacker and the Salus-Grady libel law and are doing everything possible to force someone to prosecute them under this most drastic law that they may test the constitutionality of the law and thereby gain notoriety for these publications. They will get value received for all it costs them in advertising, even if they are convicted. Not so with the smaller newspaper. The Governor says that reputable newspapers have nothing to fear from the law. In this he is wrong. The reputable newspaper only offends the unscrupulous and dishonorable in its criticisms, and people will do anything for revenge on those who expose them, while those offended by the "yellows" are usually of too high a type of manhood to seek redress in a suit for damages unless their character is injured by such publications and in such cases the old libel law was sufficient protection. It is only those who had no character or reputation to be damaged who could not recover under the old law. It is the man publishing a reputable newspaper on a narrow margin of profit—the one that spends a large percentage of its profits in getting reliable news—that will suffer. If such publications, in exposing rascality and corruption, overstep in the least the bounds of absolute truth they are liable under the Salus-Grady law, and if these offended have no character to recover damages on they still have a chance for action on the assumption of "injured feelings and mental suffering." Think of the thief, the robber, the swindler, the defaulter, the ravisher and the murderer having action against the editor of a reputable newspaper in a court of justice for "injured feelings and mental suffering" in case the least exaggeration is made in the exposure of his crime. Such is the case under the new law. Of course few juries would award him damages but the publisher would be to considerable expense in defending himself, and a few of such spite actions would ruin a publisher of limited means and the criminal would have his revenge. It seems to us that if any of those who assisted in the passage of this law should be re-elected they would be the first to ask for its repeal at the next session of the legislature. Unless they pledge themselves to do this they can hardly expect the support of any of those they have so wrongfully, though possibly thoughtlessly, injured in their fruitless effort to punish the so called "yellows." The honest newspaper is the mouthpiece of the honest people and in the muzzling of this class of journals the people themselves are muzzled.

Washington Letter.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, May 18, 1903.

Several communications have reached the State Department urging a protest against the reported persecution of the Jews in Russia, the hope that Secretary Hay would entertain such a request being based on his protest against similar persecutions in Roumania some months ago. That the State Department, much as it deplores the reported suffering, will feel warranted in taking action is, however, doubtful. It is pointed out at the Department that in the case of Roumania the United States was in a sense party to the agreement which preserved the integrity of that nation and could, therefore, protest against a violation of the pledges made by treaty. Moreover, in the Roumania incident there was ground on which this country could base a personal complaint as the ports of the United States were being flooded with an undesirable class of immigrants as a result of the intolerable conditions which surrounded those people in their Roumanian homes. Russia being a sovereign state, and the United States suffering no personal inconvenience from the persecution of the Jews, the conditions are, it will be appreciated, entirely different and this country would be no more warranted in protesting against the present persecutions than Russia would be in protesting against lynching in the South, murdering in Connecticut or Pennsylvania or white-capping in the West.

The return of the President's train from the West is awaited with no little interest by Washingtonians in view of the reports which have been received concerning the numerous and varied assortment of presents which have been almost forced upon the Chief Executive by his admirers throughout his trip. It is stated that only by chance did Mr. Roosevelt escape a present of a performing bear offered him at Albuquerque. He was less fortunate at Sharon Springs, Kansas, and the result is that there is a "cute little badger" in "the baggage car ahead." Among the other mementoes which now occupy space in the baggage car, almost to the exclusion of necessary provisions, are Navajo blankets, horse hair bridles, bowls, platters, jardiniers, bowie knives, stilettoes, antlers, a bearskin suit, moccasins and many other trifles which will make interesting exhibits in the National Museum, for it will be impossible for the President to accommodate all his gifts in the White House.

The most sensational development in the Postoffice Department investigation is the statement of Mr. Tulloch, formerly cashier in the Washington city post-office, which has just been made public. Mr. Tulloch made public an interview some time ago in which he charged ex-Postmaster General Smith, ex-First Assistant Postmaster General Perry Heath and other officials with failing to prevent frauds in the Department. The Postmaster General replied to Mr. Tulloch by saying that unless he could prove his charges he would only have succeeded in branding himself a slanderer. Mr Tulloch's reply to Mr. Payne's statement is a comprehensive review of the incidents which led up to his interview and, pending the reply of the officials involved, Mr Tulloch appears to have "made good" his charges. Referring to Mr. Smith he says, "Some people are said to live all their lives within a few miles of Niagara Falls and never become aware of the roar or beauty of the falls."

Since last week's letter it has been discovered that letters were sent to the carriers on rural free delivery routes instructing them to send to the division of free delivery lists of the persons receiving mail on their routes. There was no occasion for such a request in the ordinary work of the Department and the letters were sent out without the knowledge of the First Assistant Postmaster General, by whose authority they appeared to have been issued. As it has been charged that such lists were sold to mail order houses, department stores doing a mail order business, daily papers and "get rich quick" concerns, the discovery of these circular letters has given rise to grave suspicion as to what use the list of names so obtained were put.

Director of the Mint Roberts has taken umbrage at the reports sent out from Washington to the effect that the "Iowa Idea" had been abandoned by the Republicans of that State. Mr. Roberts says that such is not the case, but that the plank in the platform will be merely so modified as to occasion no offense to the "stand patters." Be this as it may, your correspondent learns on the highest authority that Senator Allison submitted to Senator Aldrich the tariff plank which will be reported to the Iowa convention and that it received Mr. Aldrich's approval, and Senator Aldrich is the staunchest of "stand patters." It is further announced by Mr. Roberts that Governor Cummins is likely to become a strong candidate for the second place on the National Republican ticket and prominent Republicans in Washington are not slow to approve of this intention. They believe Mr. Cummins would add strength to the ticket.

Recent reports received by the Government from trustworthy sources in Colombia indicate that the reluctance displayed towards ratifying the Panama canal treaty is based on the desire of the Government at Bogota to extort a larger price from this country. These reports show that Colombia is financially ruined as a result of her many revolutions and that the $10,000,000 which the United States offers in payment for the canal privilege will be but a drop in the bucket as compared with the extensive indebtedness of the country. Whether the patience of this country will, however, hold out much longer remains to be seen. The Nicaraguan and Costa Rican Ministers are not slow to perceive the situation, are regular weekly callers at the State Department and never fail to avail themselves of an opportunity to present the claims of their countries as the most favorable for the construction of the canal. That this Government will increase the price now offered for the canal privilege is regarded as impossible.

G. A. R. Encampment.

For the benefit of those desiring to attend the Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Pennsylvania, at Allentown, June 1 to 6, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets to Allentown from all stations on its line in the State of Pennsylvania, on May 31, June 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, good to return until June 6, inclusive, at rate of a single fare for the round trip. For specific rates, apply to local ticket agents.

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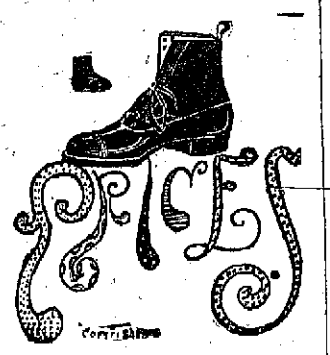

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We handle exclusively the Munnsville Plows. For flat hand work we highly recommend the celebrated Oneida Valley Clipper, No. 4. The Munnsville No. 14 for a side hill plow is the best, although we sell a great many of that old reliable, The Rough & Ready. These plows have been sold in this town for a number of years and have many friends all over the county who know what they are and will tell you for quality and work they have no equal. We have yet to hear of a dissatisfied user of a Munnsville Plow. Call and see them at

REDFIELD'S HARDWARE.

McKean County Miner
Entered at the postoffice at Smethport as second-class mail matter.

Smethport, Thursday, May 21, 1903.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—Indian Bill to-morrow.

—Bring your job work to this office.

—L. K. Hogarth has a new advertisement in this issue.

—Bell Bros. of Olean have a new advertisement in this issue.

—Frank Blomster has a contract of peeling bark near Halltown, Elk county.

—J. M. Sloan, the Bradford furniture man, has a new advertisement in this issue.

—Hon. J. W. Bouton is having his residence on King street beautified with paint.

—A St. Margaret's School pin has been lost. Finder will be rewarded by returning to this office.

—Mrs. H. L. McCoy, who has been confined to the house for several months, is improving quite rapidly.

—We notice in some of our exchanges that the price of meat is becoming lower. Is this the case in this borough?

—A band of strolling musicians, playing a violin, flute and harp, entertained many people on our streets Saturday.

—B., B. & K. trains will hereafter arrive and depart from the B. & O. R. R. depot, Biddel St., Kane, commencing May 17th.

—A new hydrant has been placed at the corner of Mechanic and King streets. There are several others badly in need of repairs.

—A lady's fancy handkerchief was lost on the streets last Saturday evening. Finder will be rewarded by returning to this office.

—Warner's Business College at Bradford had three calls this week for office help. This year's graduates are nearly all taken now.

—William Lane, who was to go to prison for nine years for criminal assault, cut his throat in the Buffalo jail last Friday morning, dying from his wounds.

—Port Allegany is to have a new opera house in the near future. S. W. Smith is reported to be at the head of scheme, which is ample assurance that it will go through.

—A 30,000 barrel oil tank was struck by lightning at Rixford Monday afternoon and caught fire. The tank was partially filled with oil and was completely destroyed.

—A small dancing party was held at the Lyceum Saturday night by some of Smethport's young people. The musicians who had been playing on the streets during the day, furnished the inspiration and a good time was had.

—James Tammany of the Commercial Hotel is the proud possessor of a pair of squirrels which were sent him last week by W. V. Provin of Bolivar. One is black and the other gray and they attract much attention.

—Edna, the 14-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Whipple, caught a 16-inch rainbow trout in Blacksmith brook last Thursday afternoon. The fish weighed 1½ pounds and was the largest trout shown in this borough this season.

—Isaac Terwilliger died in Clermont on Sunday last, aged 68 years. He was a brother of Benjamin Terwilliger of this borough. The funeral services were held in the Swedish church at Clermont on Tuesday, Rev. G. H. Patterson officiating. Interment in Clermont cemetery.

—"A Great Happy Day" will be Rev. P. S. Calvin's subject for the Memorial Sunday services at the Baptist church at 10:30 next Sunday morning. McKean Post, No 347, G. A. R., will attend in a body. At the 7:30 p. m. services his subject will be, "Saving Mercies."

—Prill, the Bradford jeweler, has a new advertisement in this issue. Mr. Prill has the finest stock of jewelry and fancy goods in Bradford and every article in his store is sold on honor. We can assure everyone who deals with him that every article is just as he represents it to be.

—H. H. Beebe has purchased a lot of the Smethport Land and Improvement Co. at the corner of Nelson and Ramer streets. Consideration $150. This company has had several inquiries from people who wish building lots and it will not be long before all are sold from present indications.

—Samuel Pendleton was seriously burned while working around an oil well near Coryville last Friday night. He was taken to his home in that place and Dr. Ostrander of this borough was called. His face and body were quite severely burned, but it is thought that he will recover unless complications set in.

—The following is from the Potter Enterprise: "Brother Backus is a bachelor of long standing, and frequently says mean things like the above. A man who has been in the matrimonial market as long as Harry is likely to become crusty." As "the above" was a puff for a Coudersport clothing firm we don't quite understand the meaning of Mr. Mundy's comment.

—A dispatch from Marion, Ind., says: Window glass workmen will be given employment for two years more at their former high wages. This has been brought about by an agreement between the three manufacturing combines. The American Window Glass company is to manufacture only one-fourth of the output by machines, the other three-fourths to be blown in the usual way.

—At St. Luke's church on next Sunday (Sunday after the Ascension) the services will be at 8 and 10:30 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. Subject of the lessons will be, "The Conqueror's Triumph," and "The Significance of the Ascension." Special anthems for the feast of the Ascension at the services.

—William Grattan Shoemaker and Miss Jane Wheeler Reid, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Reid of 207 Breckenridge street, Buffalo, N. Y., are to be married on Wednesday, June 24. Mr Shoemaker is a former Smethport boy and his many friends here extend hearty congratulations.

—Frank J. Vickery and Mrs. Mary Kissock were married on Thursday, May 14, 1903, at the M. E. parsonage at Portville, N. Y., Rev. H. E. Bailey performing the ceremony. Both are well known people of this place and their many friends will join with the MINER in extending congratulations.

—Ex-Sheriff Wm. B. Clarke is having his home on Green street beautified with paint which completes his improvements on his now beautiful home. Since he purchased this place the first of this year he has had the house entirely remodeled and to-day it is one of the prettiest and most convenient houses in town.

Children expecting to be baptised at the Methodist church and parents contemplating having their babes baptized should hear what the pastor has to say next Sunday morning concerning the significance, responsibilities, proper subjects and mode of baptism. The evening subject, "Military Discipline and Life," is appropriate for Memorial Sunday.

—We are in receipt of a communication from a lady who recently visited the County Home which we are compelled to leave out on account of room. The correspondent speaks very highly of the management of this institution, pays deserved tribute to the superintendent and matron, Mr. and Mrs. J. Colegrove, and we are sorry we cannot find space for it.

—Mr John C. Backus of this place has obtained a patent of exceptional commercial value for a hook hanger for coats, hats and the like. The invention is one which will unquestionably enjoy a universal demand and will bring deserved financial reward to Mr. Backus. The patent was obtained through the old established firm of R. S. & A. B. Lacey of Washington, D. C.

—The Bradford High School athletic team defeated the Olean High School in the dual field and track meeting Saturday afternoon in the latter city by a total of 46½ points to 42½. The feature of the exhibition was the clever all-round work of Gerald Wood of the local team, who secured a total of 24 points. The Bradford team will meet the Erie High School on next Saturday, under the auspices of the Interscholastic League of Northwestern Pennsylvania.

—The Shelby (Ohio) Herald contains a long article in reference to the Logan Gas company which has recently laid lines in that place. J. F. Olmstead, formerly of this place, is the manager for the company at Shelby and the Herald speaks very highly of him and the manner in which he conducts the business for his employers. Frank always was a good fellow and it is no surprise to us that he is popular with his employers and the people of Shelby.

—McKean Brothers' mill resumed operations Monday after a shut down of about two weeks. On Friday, May 1, some of the men struck, demanding $2 per day, and on account of their employers needing most of the men in the woods to fight fire they shut down. On Monday most of the men returned to work at the old scale and new men were put in the places of those who held out for the advance. We understand the strike was not authorized by the Federation of Labor and therefore it was not a victory for either labor or capital.

Indian Bill's Wild West.

One of the most stirring departments of Indian Bill's Wild West must naturally be its hippodrome which is unlike anything hitherto given in either equestrianism or public sports. It is classical because it is distinctive typical. It is educational because it is part and parcel of the sports of a people of whom little is known here by the average citizen. Persons engage in these contests for supremacy who have ever been rivals in equestrianism. This show will exhibit in Smethport to-morrow.

Excursion to Kane.

The B., B. & K. R'y will run a special train from Smethport to Kane and return on account of the Shakespearian play, "As You Like It," given by Alberta Gallatin at the Temple Theater at Kane, Monday, May 25th.

Train will leave Smethport at 6:45 p. m. Returning, leave Kane 30 minutes after close of performance. Fare for the round trip, $1.00.

The Colored Social Club, consisting of "Bob" Gaskin, Thomas Young, W. M. Peterson of the Imperial Hotel, Geo. Frame of Mt. Alton, Marvin Norris and E. Warren Peterson, were disappointed in not securing the professional cake walkers from Buffalo. Mr. Gaskin, who went to Buffalo to arrange for their transportation, found that owing to lack of early train service from Smethport the people could not get out in time to fill an engagement in another city.

Cornell, Sun Proof and McDougall's white leads. Strictly pure linseed oils, turpentines, dryers, etc., at Redfield's Hardware.

A house broom given away with every $5 cash purchase. Yellow trading stamps besides. J. C. HAMLIN.

Buy the Union Lock poultry fencing at Redfield's. The best for chicks and the easiest put up.

Call up Elwood Gaskin when you want any fruit or green goods. Bell 'phone.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Rev. P. S. Calvin is in Buffalo this week.

Mrs. G. H. Patterson visited Bradford yesterday.

Maurice Hall and wife visited Bradford last week.

Eber Dennison of Colegrove was in town Saturday.

W. H. Hungerford had business in Olean Tuesday.

W. D. Camp is in Jamestown having his eyes treated.

Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Hogarth drove to Kane on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Provin of Bolivar were in town this week.

Mrs. W. P. Burdick of Mt. Jewett visited in town this week.

Mrs. W. H. Miller of Windber, Pa., is visiting relatives in town.

Wm. Ross and A. M. Thamm drove over from Bradford Sunday.

Mrs. S. W. Hubbard and children of Newton were in town Saturday.

J. L. Morris of Custer City was a pleasant caller at this office Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Mullin of Bradford were Smethport visitors yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Berry of Bradford were Smethport visitors this week.

Sidney Burdick is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Burdick, at Norwich.

Mr. and Mrs. William Shaughnessy of Port Allegany were Smethport visitors this week.

Clair Brasted of Hornellsville passed Sunday with his brother, D. M. Brasted, and family.

Mrs. F. E. Baldwin of Austin is visiting her mother, Mrs. Samuel McClure, on Cemetery street.

Mrs. H. S. Rogers and children of Mt. Jewett are visiting at the home of her father, H. M. Choate.

Mrs. George Gerritt and daughter, Miss Belva, returned Monday from a visit with Kane friends.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Smith of Port Allegany were visiting friends in town the forepart of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Goodsell of Salamanca were visiting relatives and friends in town the first of this week.

Mrs. A. M. Thamm and son, John, returned to Bradford Monday after a visit with her parents in town.

H. S. Rogers of Mt. Jewett had business at court this week and was a pleasant caller at this office on Tuesday.

Lynn Hopper and John DeLong of Belmont passed Sunday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Hopper.

John Gibbs of Ludlow was a pleasant caller at this office Tuesday. He was accompanied by Misses Jennie, Hannah and Alice Fraver of Newert.

Mrs. Victor Bouton left Monday for Carlisle, where she will attend the commencement exercises of Dickenson Law School, from which Mr. Bouton graduates this year.

Advertised Letters.

List of letters remaining in the post office at Smethport for the week ending May 16, 1903:

Frank M. Bronson, Adolph A. Abert-hart, Ross S. Hodge, Mrs. H. Hammond (package), Carl Johan, Thomas Skane, M. C. Map, Herman Stehelback, Frank Tompkins.

Persons calling for these letters please say "advertised." All unclaimed letters are sent to the Dead Letter Office two weeks from date of advertising.

J. C. GALLUP,
Postmaster.

I have for sale a 1902 Walter A. Wood mowing machine, five foot cut, never used. Price $35 cash. Call on or address

J. C. KRUMRINE,
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My stock of fruits and green stuff is always fresh and the best, at right prices. Call in and see it or give your order over the Bell 'phone. Prompt deliveries. E. O. GASKIN.

Wanted—District Manager for McKean and surrounding counties to represent an up-to-date old line life insurance company. Address, P. O. Box 4, Erie, Penn.

Wanted—Girl for general housework. Apply at residence of G. W. Mitchell, Smethport. 18-tf

The best lawn sprinkler on the market. Only $1.15. J. C. HAMLIN.

House for rent. Inquire of Mrs. A. M. Fuller.

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OZOLINE will cure Sore throat in a night—Best remedy on earth for Sore Mouth, Hoarseness, Quinsy and all kinds of Sore Throat. No family should be without it. Money refunded if it fails to cure.

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FOR WARM WEATHER.

Our summer stocks of Underwear are now ready. There's scarcely a wanted thing not included in our assortments and you will do well to make selections now while sizes are unbroken.

Ladies' Wear From five cents to One Dollar a garment, the variety is complete. We include all styles in Vests, Pants and Union Suits and in addition some very dainty garments in fancy colorings. Per Garment, 5c to $1.00.

Men's Wear Here you will find a price range from Twenty-five cents to Two Dollars and fifty cents per garment with values that more than meet your expectation at every turn. Be your want anywhere from lightweight wool to the thinnest fish net we can please you. Per Garment, 25c to $2.50.

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Also building material and lumber of every description.

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This washer is made by experienced mechanics and will out last any other washer on the market. The tub has wringer box fastened with heavy steel brackets. The lid on top closes tight No escape of steam.

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Lumber and Hardware
Blacksmiths' and Wagon Makers' Supplies and Fishing Tackle.
We Keep in Stock Everything for a House from Foundation to Chimney Top.
Smethport, Pa. McKean County.

Wedding Presents, Graduating Presents.

I am well stocked for both.

It is not necessary to go to the large cities when you can find such a stock near home. Telephone, or come over. You can save good money.

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ELECTRIC BRONZES, SILVER DEPOSIT WARE.

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Strictly One Price. Goods delivered out of town.
Prill, 7 Main St., Opposite Public Square,
Bradford, Pa.

HIS HEROIC INSTINCT

By D. H. Talmadge

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Callahan, the roundhouse foreman at St. James, passing through the yards on his way to work one morning, stopped suddenly and pressed his hand to his head. That was the beginning. He went on presently, but his air was that of a man whose confidence has been shaken.

He attended to his duties that day, but cracked no jokes. In the evening he entered a physician's office.

"Doctor," said he, dropping limply into a chair, "I'm feelin' worse."

Thus he introduced the subject.

The physician glanced at him and involuntarily drew a few paces backward. He was young, the physician.

"Great heavens, man," he ejaculated, "you've got the smallpox!"

Callahan smiled wearily.

"You're all broken out with it. The thing for you to do is to go home. Go right down the middle of the street—the middle of the street, understand. I'll attend to you later."

"But, doctor"—

"Don't stop to talk. Go home. I'll see you before bedtime."

Callahan's head was whirling, else he would have had his say. As it was he arose unsteadily and followed instructions. The outer air revived him somewhat, although the lights of the street danced like pyrotechnics before his eyes, and the voices of the people sounded in his ears like the buzzing of bees. Once at a dark corner he paused, steadying himself by the shoulder against an iron pillar.

"'Tis not funny at all," he assured the pillar solemnly. "The disease is nothin', but the name of it is terrible. Molly's scared to death of it. She's said so many the time. What 'll I be doin' now?"

He tremblingly rubbed the stubble of his chin.

"I can't seem to think," he groaned after an interval. Molly 'll be in on No. 40 tonight, Molly and the baby. The baby—yes, yes. I've never seen him. He looks like me, she writes in her letter from the hospital. Sure, I hope he feels better than I feel. Molly says I'd never know her, she's that thin and white and nervous. 'Tis a hard time of it she's had, poor girl. She says she'll brace up all right after she once gets home to me. Oh, my! Oh, my! The four weeks she's been gone have been centuries long. And tonight she's comin' home—with the baby—that looks like me."

CALLAHAN FEEBLY MOTIONED THE BRAKEMAN FROM HIM.

He clinched his hands in an effort to arouse his will power and staggered on. An hour later he reached the roundhouse, having passed on the way the cottage where he dwelt. He had hesitated there, clinging to a tree by the front gate.

"'Tis very fortunate," he told himself, "that I've not been stoppin' at home. I couldn't stand it with Molly not there. Ah, but I'd give the world to go in this minute and stretch myself on the lounge in the little parlor, our parlor, now!"

No one saw him enter the roundhouse. The place was for the time deserted. He rang the telephone, calling for the physician whom he had visited that evening.

"Doctor," said he, "this is Callahan. Smallpox, you know. Don't tell my wife. See Miller at the freight office for further particulars."

That was all he said to the astonished physician. Then he called up a friend at the freight office.

"Miller," said he, "this is Callahan, at the roundhouse. I've got the smallpox. My wife and baby are comin' in on No. 40 tonight. Open up my house. The key's over the back door. Meet her and lie to her a bit. Will you? You will? That's a good old chap. Tell her I got a wire sayin' my mother was dyin' and that I've gone to her. Molly won't take it hard, because my mother was intendin' to come and stay with us this summer. I've got—I've got the smallpox, you know. Ha, ha! Be sure—yes—all right."

He was still laughing hollowly as he reeled away from the telephone, leaving the receiver dangling at the end of its cord, out into the yards among the dancing switch lights.

The next morning when a long freight train clanked into the city a hundred miles from St. James it bore in an otherwise unoccupied box car the all but unconscious form of Callahan. A brakeman found him there. Callahan feebly motioned the brakeman from him.

"Smallpox!" he whispered.

The brakeman fled. Soon the car was set out on a side track, and a physician, clad in rubber garments, clambered to Callahan's side.

"Your name?" he asked.

"Murphy," replied Callahan.

"Where from?"

"Chicago."

And that evening's papers in the city to which Callahan had come chronicled the addition to the list of patients at the local smallpox hospital of a tramp named Murphy, who claimed Chicago as his home.

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This happened last summer. The doctor has told the story to Callahan's glory a thousand times, and Miller of the freight office has told it a thousand more.

"You see," says Miller, "Callahan neglected to remove certain letters from his pockets, and these letters led to inquiries. We knew where he was all the time after the first day or two. We saw through his plan easily enough. And, say, of all the tall lying that's been done since the days of Ananias that which we practiced on Callahan's wife was probably the tallest. We forged letters. Doc said that the shock, had the truth been told, might have killed her, frail and nervous as she was. Her confidence in Callahan never wavered for an instant. It was beautiful. And when he returned we met him at the train and went with him to his house. We witnessed the meeting in the doorway. His wife had the baby in her arms and a look on her face that was—well, it was simply the greatest thing I ever saw. And when the door closed and we knew that explanations were being made Doc punched me in the ribs, and I slapped Doc on the back, and we danced like kids."

Callahan himself modestly dismisses the matter with a wave of the hand and the utterance of seven words.

"Sure, I was out of my head," he says.

Gains From Regular Habits.

An English scientific philosopher lately made a half playful, half serious defense of the routine life of the man of "regular habits."

He insisted that in this busy age, when so many duties press upon an active man and there are so many things which unavoidably call for the exercise of attention, judgment and decision every day, it is the part of wisdom—a real conservation of energy and nervous force—to settle as many as possible of the routine matters by a fixed habit of life.

There seems to be sense in the suggestion. Why should a man with anything important to do in the world tax the gray matter of his brain newly every day to decide what he will eat or drink or wear, what his pleasures shall be and what his recreation, when he shall go to bed and when get up? Having arrived at years of discretion and discrimination, why can he not so order his life as to have these and kindred things come and go in a somewhat settled order?

To eat at regular hours the things he "finds good of," according to Bacon's rule, abstaining from those that disagree with him; to rise, bathe, dress, exercise, work, rest, recreate and sleep after a regular order is not to make a treadmill of life. It is to lay out a smooth road for journeying with the least possible friction and waste.

Hats In the Presence of a King.

The head of the De Courcys, earls of Kinsale, is the only English nobleman permitted to wear his hat in the presence of his sovereign. Out of sincere deference the De Courcys wore their hats but for a moment in assertion of their privilege, and then promptly doffed them. One of the earls at a reception given by George III. kept his hat on for a considerable time. At last the king became vexed and humiliated him by saying, "The gentleman has a right to be covered before me, but even King John could give him no right to be covered before ladies."

William III. illustrated his royal obstinacy by refusing to remove his ponderous beaver when at church, much to the indignation of the worshipers. Their indignation did not worry him any. The Dutch wore their hats during divine service, and he had not ceased to be a Hollander simply for having become a king of England. The last sovereign of the Tudor race, together with his courtiers, wore a very high hat, which became the steeple hat of the Puritans in the middle of the seventeenth century.

The Poor Man and the Beggar.

"Please, sir," said the tattered beggar, "give me a few coins. I haven't a cent, haven't eaten a thing today and have no place to sleep."

The well dressed man stopped sharply, regarded the beggar a moment and then said:

"My man, my luncheon today cost another fellow $4.85, and now I'm walking from here to Seventy-second street because I haven't a nickel. My rent bill of $780 is due tomorrow. I'm $1,000 overdrawn at the bank. A man that owes me $20,000 killed himself yesterday. My yacht, auto, diamonds and paintings are all mortgaged, and my wife is suing for divorce. Now, sir, which is the worse off?"

The beggar took a nickel from his clothes and handed it silently to the man.

The well dressed man looked astonished. Then he threw a five dollar bill at the tattered mendicant and walked away.—New York Press.

PUZZLES IN SPELLING.

They Are Liable to Catch You in a Most Mysterious Way.

What queer quirks a good and obedient mind will sometimes take! A clergyman of exceptional scholarly attainments tells me that he once wrote what he at the moment conceived to be the word "righteous." The nature of his calling ought to suggest that of all words this one should be among the most familiar to him, and indeed it was. Yet when he had written it it did not look right. After puzzling over it for some time he concluded that it must end with "ious" instead of "eous," as he had written it. Finally in a mental muddle he went to his unabridged dictionary, but was amazed at finding no such word there. Deferring further search for the nonce, he completed his letter and then opened the dictionary again. This time he found the word all right and in its proper place, a fact which, he said, would have been a warning to him if he had been a drinking man.

The explanation of it was that by some unaccountable freak he had got it into his noddle that it was spelled "ritcheous." He had spelled it so in his letter and had of course looked on the wrong page of the dictionary for it in the first instance. By the time he looked again the crotchet was out of his mind, and he knew how to spell the word as well as Webster did.—Brooklyn Eagle.

Scholarly Men and the Pulpit.

If scholarly men more and more reject the church as the means by which they will influence opinion and conduct and replace it by educational, editorial and administrative agencies, the next century may be altogether guided in its intellectual decisions and in those of its actions which depend on intellectual judgments by forces outside the church. Our grandfathers looked to the minister for advice not only upon religious beliefs and moral practice, but also upon most matters outside their own direct acquaintance. The minister prescribed for the education of sons, solved social problems and acted as the source and judge of truth in matters of general knowledge. Our sons seem likely to regard the ministry as a body of men fitted to deal with men's religious welfare, but less fitted to be generous mentors in others. The direction of the people in other than purely religious activities may pass wholly out of the hands of the church.—Professor E. L. Thorndike in Century.

A Tragic Wedding Ring.

A tragic story of a forgotten wedding ring is told in the "Lives of the Lindsays." He should have been at church when Colin Lindsay, the young Earl of Balcarras, was quietly eating his breakfast in nightgown and slippers. Reminded that Mauritia of Nassau was waiting for him at the altar, he hurried to church, but forgot the ring. A friend present gave him one, which he, without looking at, placed on the bride's finger.

After the ceremony was over the countess glanced at her hand and beheld a grinning death's head on her ring. She fainted away, and the omen made such an impression on her that on recovering she declared she was destined to die within a year, a presentiment that probably brought about its own fulfillment, for in a few months the careless Colin was a widower.

Irritation and Pain.

A sharp definition should be drawn between irritation and pain. Irritation is not pain, but only a frequent cause of it. Thus a crumb lodged in the larynx near the vocal cords produces violent irritation and prolonged coughing, which often result in actual pain. So, too, a speck of dust in the eye sets up violent irritation and inflammation, followed by acute pain. Of the surface of the body the finger tips and the end of the tongue are most sensitive—for instance, a burn on the fingers is much more painful than one on the back would be, while one on the tongue would be more painful still. Deep wounds are not painful, as a rule, save as regards the surface injury.

Trees of Europe and North America.

Forest vegetation is much richer in North America than in Europe and comprises 412 species, of which 176 are native to the Atlantic region, 106 to the Pacific, 10 are common to both, 46 to the Rocky mountain region, and 74 are tropical species near the coast of Florida as against 158 species in Europe. Six North American species of forest trees—the Judas tree, persimmon, hackberry, plane tree, hop hornbeam and chestnut—are also indigenous in Europe, all now growing there naturally south of the Alps.

Nature's Toilet.

The West Indian negro need not buy soap. He picks a bulb from the "soap tree" in the jungle, which makes a beautiful lather.

If he wants a shave, he uses a piece of sharp cocoanut shell or broken glass and it answers as well as a razor.

To clean his teeth he picks a twig of "chewstick," which is better than the best camel's hair brush and dentifrice.

The Correct Reply.

At an examination held at the agricultural college the question was put, "When is the best time to sow barley?" The "examinate," a sharp country lad from the district of Altenburg, promptly replied:

"Three days before a gentle rain, sir."—From the German.

A Lender No Longer.

"Never lend Burroughs any money?"

"Never did."

"But you have."

"No; used to think I did, but found I was making a gift every time."—Boston Post.

Why We Say Bandbox.

"The collars worn by the English in the seventeenth century," said an old hat dealer, "were big, starched things a good deal like a ruff. Sometimes indeed they were bigger than the biggest ruff. They required a box of a good size to be carried about in.

"These collars were called bands. Ben Jonson in 'Volpone' says, 'This band shows not my neck enough.' Steele says, 'The next that mounted the stage was an under citizen of the bath, a person remarkable among the inferior people of that place for his great wisdom and his broad band.'

"Bands, you see, were collars, and by the same token bandboxes were collar boxes. They were big and round, just big enough to carry a clean, well starched band—just as big, in fact, as they are today.

"Whenever, therefore, you talk of bandboxes you are unconsciously referring to the collars as huge as ruffs that the English of the seventeenth century wore."

Chased by an Emperor.

Emperor Frederick William of Prussia sometimes would signify his rejection of what he considered an absurd petition by drawing on the margin an ass' head and ears. One day, a baron of ancient patent having complained of another baron taking precedence of him, the king wrote on the petition: "Mere folly. Whether a man sits above me or below me, my birth remains the same." Oftentimes he would ask people in the streets who they were, a peculiarity which made nervous people evade the royal presence. One day when a man saw the king approaching he took to his heels and ran, but Frederick William pursued him in hot haste and when he overtook him asked, "Why did you run away from me?" "From fear," answered the man, whereupon his majesty gave him a heavy thwack with his cane and said that he "wished himself to be loved and not to be feared."

Nice Little Love Story.

A dreamer and a man of action loved a woman.

The dreamer said: "I shall write verses in her praise. They will touch her vanity, and she will love me for them."

But the man of action said: "How old fashioned! I shall corner the stock market, and that will bring her."

So the dreamer wrote verses, and he induced a friend of his who ran a magazine to print them. And the man of action cornered something or other and became a billionaire.

In the meantime the girl married a man who inherited his money and lived happy ever after.

But the dreamer was so proud of his verses that he didn't care, and the man of action was so busy that he didn't care.

The only one to suffer was the man she married.—Smart Set.

A Nile Village.

A traveler of the upper Nile thus describes a typical native village: "The houses are built of Nile mud, each house accommodating a family of no matter what size, the inhabitants of each village almost all related to each other, comprising sometimes several hundreds of people.

"Their streets are littered with filth, animals of every kind obstruct one's path, dogs growl and snarl at the appearance and intrusion of a stranger, and women flee, hiding their faces in their yashmaks lest a white man should behold their features. Flies in swarms settle on the children and lay their eggs on their eyelids, unwashed, because they believe it to be contrary to their religion to wash or remove the flies from their eyes."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Fighters In London Streets.

The reign of George II. was a great fighting time. Every man who went abroad knew that he might have to fight to defend himself against footpad or bully. Most men carried a stout stick. When Dr. Johnson heard that a man had threatened to horsewhip him he ordered a thick cudgel and was easy in his mind. There were no police, and therefore a man had to fight. It cannot be doubted that the martial spirit of the country, which was extraordinary, was greatly sustained by the practice of fighting, which prevailed alike in all ranks.

The Real Thing.

"Tell me, Harold," she said as the gentle old horse they were driving along the country road dropped into a walk, "am I your ideal girl?"

"No," he said fervently. "You're my real girl!"

Whereupon the horse, finding himself totally neglected, stooped and began to browse.—Chicago Tribune.

An Unjust Aspersion.

"Yes, our society's new president certainly is a busy woman, but they say she is neglecting her duties as a wife and mother."

"That is not true. I know for a fact that she manages to see her family almost every day."—Brooklyn Life.

Confession.

"Pardon me, dear," said the village editor's bride, "for appearing at dinner in my wrapper, but"—

"Oh, that's all right," interrupted the knight of the paste pot; "some of our best thoughts come to us in wrappers."—St. Louis Star.

It Wasn't.

"Boys, don't you know it's wicked to fight? Now, if I were you I'd kiss and make up."

"Say, wot do youse tink dis is—a woman's club?"—Life.

The shortest life is long enough if it lead to a better, and the longest life is too short if it do not.—Colton.

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TRAVELER'S GUIDE

Pennsylvania RAILROAD

BUFFALO AND ALLEGHENY VALLEY DIVISION.

Time Table—Taking effect Nov. 24, 1901.

TRAINS LEAVE SMETHPORT.

Buffalo Express, daily except Sunday, 9:14 a. m.
*Buffalo Mail, daily except Sunday, 2:39 p. m.

*Train leaving Smethport 2:39 p. m. connects at Olean with Chautauqua Division for Allegany, Salamanca, Oil City and Pittsburg.

For Clermont:

Train 122, week days..........10:59 a. m.
Train 126, week days..........7:07 p. m.

For Larabee, Port Allegany, Coudersport and points south:

Train 121, week days..........9:14 a. m.
Train 123, week days..........2:39 p. m.

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION TIME TABLE.

TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION EASTWARD.

8:18 a. m.—Train 12, week days, for Sunbury, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Hazleton, Pottsville, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6:23 p. m., New York 9:30 p. m., Baltimore 6:00 p. m., Washington 7:15 p. m. Pullman Parlor car from Williamsport to Philadelphia, and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore and Washington.

12:28 p. m.—Train 8, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and principal intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 7:32 p. m., New York 10:23 p. m., Baltimore 7:30 p. m., Washington 8:35 p. m. Vestibuled parlor cars and passenger coaches, Buffalo to Philadelphia and Washington.

3:25 p. m.—Train 4, daily, for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 4:25 a. m., New York 8:30 a. m., Baltimore 2:30 a. m., Washington 4:05 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7:30 a. m.

10:30 p. m.—Train 4, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations arriving at Philadelphia 7:22 a. m., New York 9:33 a. m., week days (10:38 a. m. Sundays.) Baltimore 7:15 a. m., Washington 8:30 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Washington and passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore.

12:01 a. m.—Train 14, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and principal intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 7:22 a. m., New York 9:33 a. m., week days, (10:33 a. m. Sundays). Baltimore 7:15 a. m., Washington 8:30 a. m. Vestibuled Buffet sleeping cars and passenger coaches, Buffalo to Philadelphia and Washington.

WESTWARD.

5:10 a. m.—Train 9, daily, for Erie, Ridgway and weekdays DuBois, Clermont and intermediate stations.

10:20 a. m.—Train 3, daily for Erie and week days for DuBois and intermediate stations.

6:20 p. m.—Train 61, week days, for Kane and intermediate stations.

Weekdays.

NORTH	STATIONS	SOUTH
A. M. Lv.		Ar. P. M.
9 40	Ridgway	12 01
9 55	Johnsonburg	11 40
10 11	Glen Hazel	11 28
10 20	Straight	11 20
10 25	Instanter	11 16
10 31	Smith's Run	11 10
10 38	Woodvale	11 04
10 45	Clermont	11 00
A. M.		A. M.

Connections are made with train 8, leaving Johnsonburg at 11:48 a. m. for Erie and intermediate points, arriving at Erie at 3:50 p. m. and at Ridgway with train 206, leaving Ridgway 12:10 p. m. for DuBois, Red Bank, Pittsburg and intermediate points and train 6, leaving Ridgway at 2:20 p. m. for Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington.

W. W. ATTERBURY, General Manager.
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Bradford, Bordell & Kinzua Railway.

Time Card in Effect May 17, 1903.

Trains leave Smethport as follows:

8:00 a. m.—Daily except Sunday for Ormsby, Simpson, Davis, Aiken, Kinzua Jct. and Bradford, connecting at Bradford with Erie R. R. for all points east and west. And for Mt. Jewett and Kane, connecting at Kane with the Baltimore & Ohio R. R. for points south and with the Penn'a. R. R. for points east and west.

4:40 p. m.—Daily except Sunday for Ormsby, Simpson, Davis, Aiken, Kinzua Jct. and Bradford, connecting at Bradford with Erie R. R. for all points east and west. And for Mt. Jewett and Kane and intermediate points, connecting at Kane with P. R. R. for Wilcox, Johnsonburg, Ridgway, Emporium, Harrisburg, Baltimore, Washington and Philadelphia.

Trains arrive at Smethport at 10:00 a. m., 5:40 p. m. and 8:40 p. m. daily except Sunday.

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Time Table No. 14. Passenger Train Schedule Effective June 30, 1902.

MT. JEWETT & SMETHPORT DIV.

p.m.	p.m	a.m		a.m.	p.m.	p.m.
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	lv Mt Jewett ar	[illegible]	12 00	[illegible]
5.21	[illegible]	[illegible]	Hazelhurst	[illegible]	11.36	4.26
5.26	2.05	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	11.29	4.19
5.32	2.10	[illegible]	Kasson	[illegible]	11.24	4.13
5.37	2.17	8.47	[illegible]	[illegible]	11.18	4.08
				a.m.	p.m.	
6.05	2.30	9.14	Smethport	7.15	11.10	2.49
6.18	2.43	9.27	Farmers Valley	7.03	10.58	3.28
6.25	2.49	9.34	Coryville	6.56	10.51	3.21
6.31	2.55	9.40	Larabee	6.50	10.46	3.15

N. B.—All trains daily except Sunday.

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C. H. HAMMOND, Gen. Pass. Agt.
St. Marys, Pa.

COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY Railroad Time Table, taking effect Monday, March 18, 1901.

Ar. Eastward			STATIONS.	Lv Westward.		
A M.	A.M.	P.M.	Ar Dp	A M.	P.M.	A.M.
8.05	7.05	2.10	Ulysses	7.20	2.25	9.10
7.50	6.53	2.10	Crowell	7.27	2.32	9.19
7.46	0	1.57	Carpenter	0	2.34	9.22
7.40	6.48	1.53	Perkins	7.32	2.37	9.26
7.37	6.45	1.50	Newf'ld Junc	7.37	2.42	9.32
0	0	1.45	Newfield	7.41	2.46	0
7.05	6.36	1.41	Gold	7.44	2.49	9.40
7.00	6.30	1.35	Raymond	7.49	2.55	9.47
6.45	6.21	1.24	Seven Brdg's	8.01	3.06	10.02
6.40	6.17	1.20	Colesburg	8.04	3.09	10.10
6.25	6.10	1.12	Frinks	8.12	3.17	10.20
6.15	0	1.05	N. Coudr'spt	0	3.26	10.35
6.10	6.00	1.00	Dp. Ar.	8.25	3.30	10.45
A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	Coudersport.			P.M.
4.20	7.45	12.15	Ar. Dp.	8.28	6.06	1.26
0	0	12.13	Hammond	0	0	0
4.03	7.38	12.09	Olmsted	8.33	6.05	1.31
3.59	7.35	12.05	Mina	8.37	6.10	1.37
3.45	0	11.59	Knowlton	0	6.17	0
3.40	7.25	11.55	Roulette	8.47	6.21	1.51
3.30	7.16	11.47	Burtville	8.54	6.28	2.01
3.23	0	11.41	Coleman	0	6.34	0
3.20	0	0	Chem. Wrks	0	0	0
3.15	7.05	11.36	Pt. Allegany	9.08	6.40	2.25
P.M.	P.M.	A.M.	Dp Ar.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.

0—Trains do not stop.

Connections at Ulysses with N. Y. C. & H. R. R.; at Port Allegany with W. N. Y. & P. R'y and at Newfield Junction with B. & S. R. R.

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HIS FIRST LOVE...

By MARTHA M'CULLOCH-WILLIAMS

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"Goodby," Hartland said, with the least hard breath.

Avis locked her hands behind her, echoing: "Goodby! You see, I do not offer to shake hands. We agreed in the beginning our friendship should never sink to the level of the proprieties."

"There remain always the improprieties," Hartland said, very low, catching her handsomely in his arms and kissing her twice.

Avis shook herself free with a little hurt gasp: "You, oh, you! I never believed you could be like all the rest!"

"Why, do all of them kiss you when you make them ride away?" Hartland asked, with a twinkle, wholly unabashed.

Avis turned reproachful shoulders to him. "If all of them kissed me, do you think I should not accept one of them as a waiter or if nothing more?"

"I know I should make an excellent watchdog—the very best sort," Hartland said [illegible] about [illegible] her lost alone.

"YOU MUST MEET [illegible]"

Avis drew up her head, saying: "We will not quarrel over [illegible] just spend these last minutes instead in telling [illegible]"

"What?" Hartland asked as she paused tentatively.

[illegible] she was silent. Then [illegible] that you know I like us to be what we are—just good fellows."

"But I know nothing of the sort," Hartland said, smiling whimsically. "Contrariwise, I'm strongly of opinion that you would have been sadly disappointed if I had not made love to you this once if no more."

"What makes you believe so?" Avis said, pretending to frown, though there were ghosts of dimples about her lips.

Hartland bent to look into her eyes. "The fact that you are yourself," he said.

"So you think I've been acting," Avis said, with a pout.

"Acting one part of yourself," Hartland answered, turning her hand palm upward within his own and tracing its lines with caressing finger tips.

"Indeed! Tell me ought I to look shocked? Is that the way the others do when you break out this way?" Avis asked, merry malice in her eyes.

Hartland laughed indulgently. "I am not quite certain on that point," he said, "but this I do know—you must make up your mind to marry me just as soon as I am ready."

"May I ask when that will be?" Avis asked demurely, pulling away her hand and dropping her lashes.

"As soon as I have made terms with—the other woman," he said. "Luckily that is mainly a question of money. I can afford to buy my freedom."

"Did you—did you ever think you loved her?" Avis asked.

Hartland laughed grimly. "I was sure of it until I saw you," he answered. Avis' eyes grew wistful. "Might you not love her again if you went back to her?" she asked. Hartland nodded. "Perhaps—that is, if there was no chance of you."

"What is she like?" Avis demanded eagerly.

Hartland looked at her with a veiled twinkle. "She is everything that you are not. I think that describes her best," he said. "You see, this is an affair of years. It goes back almost to my college days"—

"I think you had better keep on with her," Avis said, drawing a little away. Hartland laughed. "It is too late," he said. "She knows all about you. I made up my mind that she must know last week."

"You might—might tell her you had been joking—telling tarradiddles to test her temper. Did she show herself a cat?" Avis asked eagerly. "But of course you can't answer that. I dare say she referred you to her lawyer."

"Nothing of the sort," Hartland said. "She is too well bred for such a suggestion—grande dame to her finger tips—the sort that always makes you think of ancestors and old silver and point lace and velvet gowns. She's worth a lot of money, but has no special income. I'm going away to see that she is properly placed in life."

"Suppose she should find some one else," Avis began.

Hartland smiled enigmatically. "She has found some one else," he said, "but there's a matter of money in the way. No; don't ask another question. I shall be back within a week. Do you think that is too long a time?"

"I could send off a dozen men in just one day," Avis said, half turning from him. "But it may turn out you will not leave her at all. Anyhow I shall be very nice to poor Vallery—until we see what we shall see."

"Do, by all means," Hartland returned. "Meantime hurry with the wedding garments."

"That is advisable—with a man so fickle," Avis said over her shoulder as she ran away.

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Hartland came back a day before the week end so radiantly happy there was no gainsaying him. Almost before Avis, most capricious of coquettes, knew it she was married and whisked away in a coach behind four spanking bays. It was not the least bit romantic, therefore all the more to her mind, this sitting in the box seat while her new husband handled reins and whip, and the smiling summer landscape melted into soft, dim distances on either hand. They went at a rattling pace, and in the joy of it Avis almost forgot her new position and the unseen rival, thoughts of whom had haunted her through the nights. Of course she would never speak of her to Hartland. She knew he was taking her to his own big house—a house no doubt tilted for him with memories of that earlier love. Suppose he tired of her—of her yellow hair, her baby dimples, her wilful, beguiling, winsome ways? Suppose even in thought he sighed for the other? She could not bear to contemplate it.

They had been silent full five minutes. The sinking sun lay full in their eyes. Hartland saw it glisten upon bright drops welling over. He smiled under his mustache, but said nothing—only sent the horses through the gate and up the long avenue at their very best pace.

Long [illegible] he lifted Avis and carried her [illegible]

"If there [illegible] Marie [illegible] like her [illegible] saw you."

"Of course," Avis interrupted, "but why did you tell me such dreadful [illegible] about her?"

"Because I wanted you so very, very badly," Hartland said [illegible] "You were such a [illegible] I knew you would never look at a [illegible] unless I could somehow persuade you that I was forbidden fruit. Confess! You would have played with me as with all the rest if I had not given you a rival?"

"Where is she now?" Avis demanded.

"I [illegible] ready to be sent to a [illegible] her," Hartland responded.

Avis sat up straight. "Bring her back! At once!" she said. "You know I live [illegible] You shall [illegible] until you are on again with the old!"

Working the Sports.

"Biff! Bang! That's it! Hit 'im again! Bet on the young one!"

Such were the cries heard by those who happened to pass Board of Trade court about 2:30 one afternoon a few weeks ago. In the midst of a crowd of about forty people composed of members, clerks, messenger boys and visitors were two ragged urchins fighting for all they were worth.

The larger of the two was about thirteen years old and about 4 feet 4 inches tall, while the other, though probably as old, was considerably smaller.

For the first five or six minutes they fought quite evenly, until the smaller, apparently finding the opening he was looking for, landed a hard right swing on his opponent's jaw. This was followed by a few more, and while the larger boy made his way out of the crowd the smaller was greeted with a shower of pennies, nickels and dimes, which he quickly gathered up and was seen no more.

In an alley two blocks east two boys met, one rubbing his chin.

"How much?" he eagerly inquired of a smaller boy.

"Two dollars an' twelve cents; lemme see—dat's one dollar an' six cents each."

"Dat's all right; city hall next; lots of sports dere—only don't come in so strong at the finish."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Protective Color.

We have a green snake (Dryophis fulgida) which, when hunting for green frogs and lizards, winds in and out among "the flexuous stems of creeping plants and so closely resembles them in color as to almost defy detection even by the keenest eyes." Close at hand among the bushes may be a huge grasshopper, whose broad fore wings when closed are of the exact color of the leaf on which he rests, so that his disguise is perfect and he chirps on in safety, yet if the lizard, instead of haunting the green, leafy thicket, be of that species found crawling over the walls of buildings in the city, he puts on a totally different appearance from that of his own kindred in the forest or even in the interior of houses, being of the exact hue of the ruined stone and mud walls on which he is found, while the house lizard is speckled and of an ashy gray tint, like the ceiling on which he rests and for clinging to which his feet are specially adapted.

THE MODERN SALESMAN.

He Realizes the Necessity For Correct Dress In Business.

It has become the unwritten but none the less stringent law that young men shall dress well and neatly during business hours. In many of the largest banks and financial institutions none of the clerks is permitted to go coatless, and in the mercantile establishments where salesmen are employed "loud" attire is actually discouraged. The old time salesman gloried in his flamboyant cravats and shirts, his diamonds and his peculiar clothes. His capital in trade consisted of a flashy appearance, vulgar stories, a constitution that would stand intoxicating liquor and an unlimited amount of cheek. He did not have to know anything about the goods he sold, except in a general way. He slapped men on the back, took them out to dinner, got drunk with them and then booked their orders. The modern salesman is a well educated, neatly dressed gentleman who knows all about the goods he sells. He is never called upon to drink, he never needs to dine out, he trades on honor and brains, and his customers are men who only admire men who know as much as or more than they do about their business. Dress plays the most important part in the game of commerce, no less with the salesman than it does with the manufacturer, the mill man, the banker or the financial man. They all dress to impress their fellow men favorably.—C. M. Connolly in Success.

Got the Oysters.

A captain of a Massachusetts regiment, stationed in Washington at the time of the civil war, was noted for his love of good things to eat and one day dispatched one of his soldiers, a man named Bailey, to Alexandria to get some fresh oysters, giving him instructions not to return without them. The man started, and no more was seen of him for nine days. The Washington Times prints the story of his return:

After a lapse of nine days Bailey came into camp [illegible] horse [illegible] oysters. Approaching [illegible]

[illegible]

Paper Making and the Egyptians.

The [illegible] that the Egyptians [illegible] process [illegible] itself, which is derived from the word papyrus, a reed which grows in Egypt and other warm countries.

The ancient Egyptians made their principal paper from [illegible] between the [illegible] glued together in long rolls, which served as a means to convey their thoughts in [illegible] This process has been so far improved in manufacturing [illegible] that today the most perfect paper can be made from the meanest substances.

Home Treatment.

In Ohio, as in several other states, persons condemned to death are taken to the state capital for execution. Recently in the Greene county court a jury was being chosen to try a murder case.

One member of the panel had been asked the usual questions and had given satisfactory answers until the lawyer for the defense inquired:

"Do you believe in capital punishment?"

"No, sir," was the prompt reply; "I believe in hanging them right here at home."—What to Eat.

Caged Birds Live Longest.

Many people declaim against the cruelty of keeping birds in cages, but it is a well proved truth that cage birds live about six times as long as a wild bird, and the bird invariably becomes so fond of its owner and its surroundings that when the cage is thrown open it will not fly away. It suffers so little from solitude that if a prospective mate is introduced it hits her on the head at first for her impudence in daring to intrude into a private apartment.

Bird Superstitions.

According to a superstition which holds sway in some parts of Ireland, the sedge warblers possess the souls of unbaptized babes and sing their sorrow at the midnight hour, while the linnet, yellow hammer and finch sing their plaintive and tender songs to remind us they are souls of departed friends not yet relieved from purgatorial pains. The bittern is their herald at night.—Irish Times.

A Sermon on Money.

"No, my son," said the Bilville parent; "money doesn't bring happiness. It only pays house rent and the grocery bill and makes the bailiff and the bill collector respect us six days in the week while the parson gives us the hallelujah smile on Sunday."—Atlanta Constitution.

A Shocking Drinker.

The Girl—Does he drink so terribly?

The Guy—Yes, indeed; pours it out into his saucer.—Kansas City Independent.

If you have a good temper, keep it; if you have a bad one, don't lose it.—Columbia Jester.

CLARKSON'S INTERFERENCE

...By JOHN WINTHROP

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Isabel Archer would again teach in district No. 4. This was the chief topic of conversation in the Casparville postoffice.

When she had gone home at the end of the spring term, she had bitterly declared to certain intimates that she would never return. Those who knew best how Lem Tudor had bullied and tormented her did not wonder at her decision. Lem was chairman of the school board, and, having set his uncouth fancy on the young teacher, he had made life a burden to her.

He was not a pleasing suitor. He lacked even the rough manhood that sometimes atones for the absence of that polish which society gives. A bully by birth and nature, as his father before him, he had used his official position to obtain as his wife not the woman he loved, but the one who would do him the greatest credit.

Casparville was sorry to lose Miss Isabel. There was no one who supposed she would ever return unless Clarkson should ask her. Clarkson was teller in the Casparville bank. He was diffident and reserved, so that, though undoubtedly an admirer of the pretty teacher, his methods of wooing her were sadly lacking the dash and nerve evinced by Tudor. And though she certainly smiled upon her bashful suitor, he had just as certainly allowed her to leave Casparville without screwing up his courage to ask the fateful question.

Yet after the district [illegible] until Tudor had [illegible] standers that Bell Archer was going to take No. 4 again.

When he got [illegible]

[illegible]

ISABEL ARCHER.

[illegible] folded up the letter his scowl [illegible]

"[illegible]," he said. "I just say [illegible] that I'll [illegible] just to spite Harvey Clarkson. She will have to give in to me in the end, and then you bet I will make her pay for all she has made me stand for."

SHE GAVE A CRY AND SOUGHT TO WARD HIM OFF.

When she arrived the following week, it was Lem Tudor who met her at the station and escorted her to the hotel. There was a broad grin on his face as he rudely jested with her. When he winked solemnly and flagrantly at the group of loungers on the corner by Sweeny's saloon, the girl blushed a rosy red, but she knew that remonstrances were of no avail.

"I'll call with the buggy this afternoon and take you over to the schoolhouse," he said as he handed her suit case over to the man of all work at the tiny hotel. "See that you are ready at 2. I've had the building painted and bought you a new chair and had the blackboards fixed up."

No. 4 was about three miles from town. As they sped over the quiet country road that afternoon she found herself wondering why the drive appeared so long.

"I'm taking the long way round," he explained in answer to her comments. "I want you to see what a good horse this is. I got him from Bascom last month. I thought you would come back, and I wanted to have an animal that would pass all the rest when I took you out to drive."

"I am afraid that I can go out very little this fall," she said coldly. "I want to study and fit myself for a city school next year."

He laughed harshly. "You had better keep on the soft side of the chairman," he said warningly. "I let you come back because I like to see you, but if you don't behave Millie Stephens will have No. 4 for the winter term.

"Now, see here, Bell," he went on, "you and me might as well understand each other. I let you come back because I want you, but if you are going to stand on that confounded dignity of yours there's going to be trouble. You be nice to me, and in the spring we'll be married, and you'll have the finest house in Casparville. If you keep on being silly, you'll be sorry. Why, you haven't even kissed me yet." And he made a motion as though to take the caress.

She gave a cry and sought to ward him off, but his powerful arms were around her, and she could not tear herself loose. His heavy, brutal lips had almost touched hers when the sound of wheels caused him to desist, and a light buggy drove up.

"I think, Miss Archer," said the newcomer, "that you had better change to my buggy. Here at least you are free from insult."

Tudor swung around and faced Clarkson. "You'd better be careful, Harvey," he warned. "This ain't no affair of yours."

Clarkson's eyes sparkled. "Miss Archer has it in her power to make it so," he said. "Isabel, this isn't exactly the place for a proposal, but if you will give me the right to make your affairs mine"—

One glance at her face convinced Tudor that he had lost. Sullenly he cramped the wheel that she might descend.

A moment later Clarkson's buggy was speeding up the road. "I won't hold you to your promise," he said, with a return to his usual diffidence, "unless you are willing. When I saw Tudor call for you, I was afraid that he was up to some mischief, and so I hurried after as soon as I could get away. It was presumptuous, I know, but I couldn't see you at the mercy of that beast, and you don't have to keep your promise to marry me."

Isabel looked up shyly. "But if I do want to?" she whispered.

That evening it was announced at the postoffice that Millie Stephens would have No. 4 [illegible] Miss Isabel Archer [illegible] Clarkson.

[illegible]

Let Thy Tongue [illegible]

[illegible]

It may seem sweeping to declare [illegible] for mean and ugly uses, of petty, ill sounding and ludicrous words [illegible] for there are words whose very appearance [illegible] but we have had the courage to revise the Testaments, and those that [illegible] spring cleaning of our mother tongue is not a far [illegible] I have met Americans who would understand it.

No familiar language is richer than blessed English [illegible]

[illegible]

As for a man, he often has to live his name into respectability in more senses than one. Heaven help the unfortunate who so has to conduct the business of life that Snooks or Scroggins may become pleasantly familiar. Such a task is one for Hercules or a second Borromeo, and yet it is done, and many a strange name loses its uncouth sounding in a noble history.—Harold Ismay in Longman's Magazine.

Meal Monday.

The students in the Scotch universities annually enjoy their "Meal Monday," but few of the undergraduates remember how the holiday was instituted. In fatoff days, when learning was really nourished on "a little oatmeal," the students before leaving home for the universities provided themselves with a quantity of meal sufficient to make "halesome parritch" half through the session. By the end of January their "meal kists" had run low, and "a day off" was given in which the student was expected to journey half way home, meeting at this point his parent or brother, who brought with him a second load of the simple diet. The holiday was fixed on a Monday so as to allow the undergraduate the benefit of the preceding Saturday. In times past the journeys would often extend to fifty or sixty miles. The modern student goes home for "Meal Monday," but he travels with a week end ticket and has no thought of the painful journeys of his ancestors.

Telling a Cow's Age.

A cow's age is indicated by her horns. At the age of two a ring of thick material forms at the base of each horn, and one ring is added every year after this becomes apparent. To find the age, therefore, count the rings and add two. In the case of a bull, however, the first ring does not appear until he is five years old, and one annual ring appears after that, so to the number of rings on a bull's horns five must be added. The result attained is, however, only approximately correct, for not only is the time of appearance of the first ring uncertain, but occasionally two rings appear in one year, and then again sometimes a year is omitted, no ring being formed. A dishonest dealer can also change the apparent age of the animal by filing off some of the rings from her horns, so that complete reliance on this sign is sometimes very deceptive.

The Raindrop.

The falling of a drop of rain is a commonplace, everyday matter, but a flash of lightning—ah, that is something out of the ordinary, something to wonder at, so most men think. The humble physicist plodding on the trail of these manifestations of physical energy thinks otherwise. To him the drop of water falling gently is much more of a mystery than the sudden rupture of the air gap and the headlong rush of electrical energy in a disruptive discharge.

Although rain has fallen since the dawn of creation, man knows very little about the origin, the structure of the raindrop. The reason for this is that the simple looking drop of rain is in reality a marvelous microcosm. Some day when the mechanism of a drop of rain shall be made plain it will be found that the universe itself is not more wonderfully held together.

The size of the drop is not the obstacle in the way of a clearer knowledge of the drop structure, for the average diameter of raindrops is not far from one millimeter, and men of science have to deal with quantities infinitely smaller.—Sunset Magazine.

The Limit Reached.

The prisoner, a faded, battered specimen of mankind, on whose haggard face, deeply lined with the marks of dissipation, there still lingered faint reminders of better days long past, stood dejectedly before the judge.

"Where are you from?" asked the magistrate.

"From Boston," answered the accused man.

"Indeed," said the judge. "Indeed yours is a sad fall, and yet you don't seem to thoroughly realize how low you have sunk."

The man started as if struck. "Your honor does me an injustice," he said bitterly. "The disgrace of arrest for drunkenness, the mortification of being thrust into the noisome dungeon, the publicity and humiliation of trial in a crowded and dingy court I can bear, but to be sentenced by a justice [illegible] that is the last blow."—New York Times.

Sweet Scotch Voices.

[illegible] to the [illegible] to say [illegible] north and west of [illegible] voices of the Highlanders are [illegible] the [illegible] is clear, distinct and dramatic [illegible] their speech [illegible] beautiful [illegible] to the [illegible] of running water [illegible] the speech of the common people.

A Nation of Smokers.

Notwithstanding all [illegible] about the growth of the cigarette habit in [illegible] England keeps [illegible] Statistics prove that as smokers Dutch [illegible] Germans [illegible] tobacco as Englishmen. Three times as many cigarettes are consumed annually in England as in either Germany or Holland, but as consumers of pipe tobacco both these countries are far ahead of us.

A Sap Sucking Squirrel.

A correspondent of Forest and Stream tells of a curious sight he saw in the woods near Liberty, Me. It was a little red squirrel which was having the best of times gnawing through the outer bark of young sugar maples and sucking the sap. He was so intent upon his business that he did not stir when the spectator passed by, but kept on satisfying his sweet tooth.

The Dogs of the Red Men.

When Columbus discovered America, he found that the Indians possessed dogs. They were direct descendants of the wild coyotes of the plains. You can find a beautifully mounted group of coyotes in a glass case at the National museum, a male, female and young one. Their resemblance to certain domesticated dogs is very striking.

Wasted Time.

"You want that book bound, sir? Yes, sir. It will cost 3 marks. But there are pictures in it. That will make it 5 marks, sir."

"But why is it more with pictures?"

"Oh, you see, sir, my helper will waste so much time looking at them!"—Fliegende Blaetter.

Forgetful Father-in-law.

"I've had another quarrel with my son-in-law, Count Fuscado," said Mr. Quizrox gloomily.

"Have you refused him money?"

"Certainly not. But I forgot to take my hat off and address him by his title when I handed him the check."—Washington Star.

His Experience.

"Pa," said the boy, looking up from his book, "what does a man's 'better half' mean?"

"Usually, my son," replied his father from behind the evening paper, "she means exactly what she says."—Philadelphia Press.

Trains at Drowsyville.

"We used to miss that accommodation train every morning."

"What do you do now that they have taken it off?"

"Why, we miss it more than ever."—Chicago News.

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SHERIFF'S SALES.

BY VIRTUE OF SUNDRY WRITS OF FIERI Facias, Levari Facias and Venditioni Exponas, Alias Fieri Facias, Pluries Fieri Facias, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county, Pa., and to me directed, I will expose at public sale at the Court House, in the borough of Smethport, on

MONDAY, JUNE 1, 1903,

at 1 p. m. the following several pieces of property:

1.

Defendant's interest in the following described real estate, to-wit:

FIRST. All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land situate, lying and being in the City of Bradford, County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded as follows, to-wit:—Beginning at a point on the south line of Forman street at the distance of fifty-five (55) feet west from the west line of Florence street; thence southerly parallel with said Florence street one hundred (100) feet; thence westerly parallel with said Forman street forty (40) feet to lands conveyed to one Chapman; thence Northerly parallel with said Florence street and along land of said Chapman one hundred (100) feet to Forman street; thence easterly along the southerly line of said Forman street forty (40) feet to the place of beginning, being a part of lands conveyed to Mason M. Skiff and Florence A. Grant by Samuel G. Bayne and others by deed dated April 2nd, 1881, and recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean County Pa., June 21st, 1881, in Deed Book, Vol. 30, page 482, &c., and subject to the exceptions and reservations contained in said deed, and being the same premises conveyed by Mason M. Skiff, Mary L. Skiff, Florence A. Grant and Chas. W. Grant to C. J. Curtis by deed dated January 3d, 1890, and recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean County in Deed Book Vol "54," page 202 etc.

Improved and having thereon one two story and attic frame dwelling house and a one story frame building used as a tool house.

SECOND. All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in Bradford City, McKean County, Pennsylvania bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at the southwest corner of A. C. Rotes lot as described in deed to him by the said Laura Hodges; thence in a northerly direction along the west line of the said A. C. Rotes lot to the Tuna Creek seventy-five (75) feet; thence in a westerly direction along said creek twenty-five (25) feet; thence in a southerly direction and parallel with the said A. C. Rotes line seventy-five (75) feet; thence in an easterly direction twenty-five (25) feet to the place of beginning be the same more or less, with a right of wagon roadway in and out to Barbour Street as now laid out through the land of Laura Hodges, together with one barn situated thereon, and being the same premises conveyed by Laura Hodges (widow) to C. J. Curtis by deed dated January 5th, 1892, recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean County in Deed Book Vol. "[illegible]" page 483, etc.

Improved and having thereon one board barn two stories high.

THIRD. All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in Bradford City, McKean county, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a point at a beech tree in the north bank of the west branch of the Tuna Creek, where the east line of lot No. 152 of Whitney and Wheeler's addition to Bradford City as per survey and plot of L. Gorton made in 1877 and 78 extended will intersect said creek; thence northwesterly along said extended line and the east line of said lot 152 as per said survey, to the northeast corner of said lot No. 152 about 180 feet; thence northeasterly along the Bradford and Buffalo Railroad Co's land about one hundred and seventy-five (175) feet to the west bank of Bennett Brook; thence down said brook along its various windings to the north bank of the west branch of Tuna Creek; thence up said creek along its various windings to the said lot No. 152, to the place of beginning, map of said survey being now on file in the Recorder's Office in Smethport, Pennsylvania, in Deed Book Vol. 23, at page 90, and being the same premises conveyed by William Hatfield and Frank Hatfield, heirs of Caroline Hatfield, deceased to Carlton J. Curtis by deed dated February 10th, 1892, recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean County in Deed Book Vo. 68, page 239, etc.

Improved and having thereon one one story frame dwelling house, one one and one half story frame dwelling house, one frame barn and a number of outhouses.

FOURTH. All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land situate in Bradford City, McKean County, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at an iron pin at the corner of Center and Railroad streets; thence in a westerly direction along Railroad street one hundred and thirteen and one-half (113½) feet; thence in a southerly direction seventy (70) feet; thence in an easterly direction forty-seven (47) feet to a post and angle; thence in a northerly direction to the south line of Center street; thence along the south line of Center street about ninety-four and one-half (94½) feet to the iron pin, place of beginning, the same being lots Nos. 12, 20 and 21, as plotted and laid out by John A. Seymour for first parties and being the same premises conveyed by Walter Grubb, Sheriff of McKean County, to C. J. Curtis by Deed Poll dated June 7th, 1892 and recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean County in Deed Book Vol. "68," page 244, etc.

Improved and having thereon one two story frame store building, one two story frame dwelling house with ell attached, one two story board dwelling house and usual outbuildings.

FIFTH. All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in Bradford City, and in Bradford Township, McKean County, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a point in the north bank of the west branch of Tuna Creek where the east line of lot No. 154 of Whitney & Wheeler's addition to Bradford as per survey and plot of L. Gorton 1877 and 1878 extended will intersect said creek; thence northwesterly along such extended line to the east line of lot No. 154 as per said survey to the northeast corner of said lot No. 154; thence southwesterly along the Bradford and Buffalo R. R. Co's land one hundred and forty (140) feet to a point; thence southeasterly and parallel with the east line of said lot No. 154 and said extended line to the north bank of said west branch of said Tuna Creek; thence along and down said creek to the place of beginning. Map of the survey herein referred to being on file in the Recorder's Office in Smethport, Penn'a., in Deed Book "23," page 90, &c., and being the same premises conveyed by George W. Hess and Amelia A. Hess to C. J. Curtis by deed dated May 15th, 1893, and recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean County in Deed Book Vol. "72," page 202, etc.

Improved and having thereon two two story frame dwelling houses, one one story frame dwelling house and a number of outbuildings.

SIXTH. All that certain lot or parcel of land situate in the City of Bradford, County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at a post in the south limit of the Bradford and Pittsburgh Railroad lands on the east bank of Bennett Brook, and running thence by said limit 135 feet to a post in the N. W. corner of lands now or lately claimed by Balton Bros.; thence south 224 feet more or less to a post in north bank of the west branch of Tunangwant Creek; thence up said creek to the mouth of Bennett Brook; thence by the east bank of said brook to the place of beginning, being part of original lot 122 in Warrant 3906, and in the 3rd ward of the City of Bradford, and being the same premises conveyed by Charles S. Whitney and Bridget T. Whitney, his wife, and Samuel A. Wheeler to C. J. Curtis by deed dated December 14th, 1893, recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean County in Deed Book Vol "109," page 199, etc., and subject to the exceptions and reservations contained in said deed.

Improved and having thereon one two story frame dwelling house, one one and one half story frame dwelling house and a number of outbuildings.

SEVENTH. All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the City of Bradford, County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at a post in Joseph and Rosenthal's south line one hundred and seventy-five feet from the northeast corner of said Joseph and Rosenthal's land on Center street; thence west one hundred and twenty-five feet; thence in a southerly direction to the Tuna Creek, supposed to be about one hundred feet more or less; thence in a northeasterly direction along the various windings of said Tuna Creek one hundred and twenty-five feet; thence in a northerly direction about one hundred feet more or less to said stake or place of beginning be the same more or less, and being the same premises conveyed by C. W. Lancaster and Anna Lancaster his wife to C. J. Curtis by deed dated August 20th, 1895, recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean county in Deed Book Vol "85", page 160, etc.

Improved.

EIGHTH—All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in Bradford city, McKean county, State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a post two hundred and seventy-five feet north of Elm street, on the east side of Center (now Brennan street); thence northerly along Brennan street forty feet to land now owned by Mrs. A. M. Briggs; thence in an easterly direction along the south line of A. M. Briggs seventy-seven and one-half feet; thence southerly forty feet to the land now owned by Jennie M. Brooks; thence in a westerly direction along the north line of Jennie M. Brooks seventy-seven and one-half feet to the place of beginning, and being the same premises conveyed by Jennie M. Cunningham heir at law and in fact of Emiline M. Hoyt, deceased, to C. J. Curtis by deed dated February 20th, 1895, recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean county in Deed Book Vol "83", page 215, etc.

Improved and having thereon one two story frame dwelling house and usual outbuildings.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of C. J. Curtis at the suit of Kate Rynn, H. C. McCarty and M. J. Donohue.

James George, F. W. Hastings, plaintiffs' attorneys.

2.

Defendant's interest in the following described real estate, to-wit:

FIRST. All that following described tract or parcel of land situate in the Township of Bradford, in the County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania: Beginning at a post the N. E. corner of land formerly owned by Geo. W. Delter, being the western part of Lot No 270; thence south one hundred and forty-six (146) rods more or less to a post in the south line of said Lot No. 270, and the southeast corner of said Delter Lot; thence east along the said south line of Lot No. 270 forty-six (46) rods more or less to a post; thence north one hundred and thirty-four (134) rods more or less to a post on the south bank of Minard Run; thence down said Minard Run or Creek by its courses to the place of beginning. Containing forty (40) acres more or less, being part of said Lot No. 270 in Warrant 3821, and part of said Lot deeded to one Ephriam Foster by Daniel Kingsbury and wife, March 14th, 1858, and being the same premises conveyed by Lavina Ann Young, Executrix to John Charles Young, by deed dated May 28th, 1881 recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean County in Deed Book Vol. "11", at page 323, etc.

Mostly improved and having thereon one one story frame dwelling house, one frame barn, an old orchard and a few fruit trees.

SECOND. A certain piece of land situate in Bradford Township, McKean County and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Being a right of way one and one-half rods wide through the farm of Willard George Foster, starting at the bars in line fence between said parties; thence easterly across Minard Run or Creek, striking the said Willard George Foster's road at a point near F. K. Griffin Gate, and being the same land conveyed to John Charles Young by W. G. Foster by Agreement dated September 11th, 1857, and recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean County in Deed Book Vol. "[illegible]" page 54 etc.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of J. C. Young at the suit of [illegible] W. Morris for use of F. K. Griffin, now for use of H. M. Griffin, Executor, for use S. D. Tibbits.

D. H. Jack, Plaintiff's Attorney.

3.

Defendant's interest in all the undivided ⅓ interest in and to all those two certain pieces or parcels of land situated in Otto Township, McKean County, Pennsylvania, and being parts of Warrants 4004 and 4335.

FIRST. All that portion of land being part of a larger tract conveyed by E. P. Borden, Trustee, to C. E. Lovell by deed dated June 2, 1878, and recorded August 15th, 1879, in Deed Book Vol. 4, page 653, bounded on the north side by the Boot Leg tract, on the east by the Werthman farm, on the south by the Slater farm and on the west by land formerly owned by Waugh and Porter, being about eighty (80) rods long on the east and west by about twenty (20) rods, on the north and south and containing about ten (10) acres more or less.

SECOND. All that tract of land in same Township, County and Warrants, bounded as follows: Commencing at a post in the northwest corner of lands of said Werthman and running east along the lands of one Germer fifty-six (56) rods more or less to lands of one Watson; thence south along the lands of one Watson and Whitney and Son, being forty-eight (48) rods more or less to the lands of Whitney & Son fifty-six (56) rods more or less to the lands of S. L. Wilson; thence north along the lands of S. L. Wilson forty-eight (48) rods more or less to the place of beginning, containing eighteen (18) acres more or less. Together with a like interest in eleven oil wells complete, engines, boilers, tubing, casing, rigs, tanks, line pipe, and all fittings, fixtures, machinery and appurtenances situate thereon and thereunto belonging.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Maggie C. Moody, a lunatic, J. S. Moody, Committee, at the suit of Charles Duke.

Mullin & Mullin Plaintiff's Attorney.

4.

Defendant's interest in all the undivided two-thirds (⅔) interest in and to all those two certain pieces or parcels of land situate in Otto Township, McKean County, Pennsylvania, and being part of warrants 4004 and 4335.

FIRST. All that portion of land being a part of a larger tract conveyed by E. P. Borden, Trustee, to C. E. Lovell, by deed dated June 2, 1879, and recorded Aug. 15, 1879, in Deed Book Vol. 4, page 653, bounded on the north by Boot Leg tract, on the east by the Werthman farm, on the south by the Slater farm and on the west by lands formerly owned by Waugh and Porter being about 80 rods long on the east and west and about 20 rods wide on the north and south and containing about ten acres more or less.

SECOND. All that certain tract of land in same Township, County and Warrants, bounded as follows: Commencing at a post in the northwest corner of lands of Werthman and running east along the lands of one Germer fifty-five (55) rods more or less to the lands of Watson; thence south along the lands of said Watson and Whitney and Son being forty-eight rods more or less to the lands of Whitney and Son fifty-five rods more or less to the lands of S. L. Wilson; thence north along the lands of S. L. Wilson forty-eight rods more or less to the place of beginning, containing eighteen (18) acres of lands more or less, subject, however, to a lease of three acres off the eastern portion to C. Orr and Co., together with a like undivided two-thirds interest in eleven oil wells; eleven engines, two boilers, all rigs, tanks, tubing, casing, fittings, fixtures, machinery and appurtenances situated thereon and thereunto belonging.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Maggie C. Moody, a lunatic, J. S. Moody, Committee, at the suit of Charles Duke, Assignee of F. M. Johnston.

Mullin & Mullin, Plaintiff's Attorney.

5.

Defendant's interest in all that piece, parcel and tract of land, situate in the Township of Liberty, County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the bank of Portage Creek at the southwest corner of lot No. 112, contracted to James O. White; thence north eighty-eight degrees East (N. 88° E.) one hundred and ninety-two and five-tenths (192 5-10) perches to the west line of lot No. 115 deeded to Sartwell and Arnold; thence south eighty-four (84) perches to the northeast corner of lot No. 19 deeded to L. Barnaby; thence by line of said lot north eighty-six degrees west (N. 86° W.) one hundred and sixty-five (165) perches to bank of Portage Creek; thence down said creek by the several courses and distances thereof to the place of beginning. Containing eighty-six and eight-tenths (86 8-10) acres strict measure be the same more or less, and being lot No. 113 of the allotment of lands in Liberty Township, and part of Warrant No. 1857.

Well improved and having thereon one two story frame dwelling house, two small barns, one orchard of apple and cherry trees covering about two acres and a good spring of water.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Fred O. Davis, Administrator of John F. Whiting, deceased, at the suit of J. E. Dusenbury, Executor of the last will and Testament of Fitz H. Arnold, deceased.

C. W. Catlin, Plaintiff's Attorney.

6.

Defendants' interest in all the following described leasehold estates situate in the Townships of Eldred and Keating, County of McKean, State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

FIRST. All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land in Eldred Township, McKean County, Pennsylvania, bounded as follows: Beginning 100 feet north of the Moody Brook road, where it crosses the east line of lot No. 182 Eldred; thence north to the northwest corner of lot No. 181 Eldred; thence west 58 rods to a point north of the northeast corner of lot No. 95 Eldred; thence south to a point 160 feet north of the Moody road; thence by a line parallel with said road south to the place of beginning. Containing forty-five acres more or less. And also another piece in Keating Township, bounded and described as follows: Bounded on the north by lands of Ella C. Holmes, on the east by Potato Creek, on the west by the W. N. Y. & P. Railroad, to extend south far enough to make fifty acres, and being the same land originally leased by A. O. Cory to James McManus by Agreement dated March 5, 1898, recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean County in Deed Book Vol. 104, page 142, etc. Also all that certain piece, parcel or tract of land in Eldred and Keating Townships, McKean County, Pennsylvania, bounded as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the Moody Hollow road with the west line of lot No. 182; thence in a southeasterly direction along said road and line of land of Ella C. Holmes to the right of way of the McKean and Buffalo Railroad; thence along said right of way to its intersection with the said west line of lot No. 182; thence north along said line to the place of beginning. Containing about 80 acres be the same more or less, and being the same land originally leased by A. O. Cory to James McManus et al by agreement dated December 27, 1898, recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean County in Deed Book Vol. 104, page 185, etc. Hereby conveying and intending to convey all of the above described leasehold estates not heretofore forfeited for noncompliance with the terms of said leases, together with four wells situate thereon (Nos. 2 and 8 being gas wells, one oil well and one dry hole). All rigs, tanks, tubing casing, fittings, fixtures, machinery and appurtenances situated thereon and thereunto belonging.

SECOND. All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land in Eldred and Keating Townships, McKean County, Pennsylvania, bounded as follows: On northeast by the Moody Brook road, on the west and northwest by J. Starkweather, on the south by Moody Brook, on the east by O. A. Cory. Containing thirty acres be the same more or less, and being the same land originally leased by Philip Rockwell and Mrs. E. J. Rockwell to James McManus et al. by Agreement dated January 10, 1899, recorded in Deed Book Vol. 104, page 182, etc., among the records of McKean County, together with an oil well, oil rigs, tanks, tubing, casing, fittings, fixtures, machinery and appurtenances situated thereon and thereunto belonging.

THIRD. All the following described piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Eldred, County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, being the west half of tract of land belonging to B. F. Cory, and containing in said west half about four hundred thirty-five (435) acres, be the same more or less; excepting and reserving therefrom five acres around the building of Peter Cooney, and being the same land originally leased by B. F. Cory to James McManus by Agreement dated November 30, 1898, and recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean County in Deed Book Vol. 104, page 145, etc. Together with five oil wells, all rigs, tanks, tubing, casing, fittings, fixtures, machinery and appurtenances situated thereon and thereunto belonging.

FOURTH. All that certain tract of land situate in the Township of Keating and Eldred, County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: North by lands of H. Hibbard, east by lands of Starkweather, Edwards, Dickenson and A. O. Graves, south by land of Frank Bray and Gilbert Moody, west by lands of Gilbert Moody. Containing sixty-one and onetenth (61 1-10) acres more or less, and being the same land originally leased by G. F. Beers and wife to James McManus and John F. Rooney by Agreement dated March 21, 1899, and recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean County in D. B. Vol. 105, page 801, etc.

FIFTH. Five acres around well number one and five acres around well No. nine drilled on two certain leases, and given by Ella C. Holmes and Frank S. Holmes to James McManus, dated March 8, 1898, and recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean County in Deed Book Vol. 104, page 122. Another given by Frank S. Holmes and Ella C. Holmes, his wife, to James McManus, dated June 16, 1898, and recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean County in Deed Book Vol 104, page 120, etc., being locations for said two wells and five acres around each of the same, one of which was drilled on each of the above mentioned and described leasehold estates, and being the same leases or locations described in Agreement made October 1, A. D. 1899, between Ella C. Holmes and Frank S. Holmes, husband and wife, to John F. Rooney and M. W. Heinlein in trust for the Eclipse Oil and Gas Company, Limited, and recorded in Deed Book, Vol. 113, page 204, among the records of McKean County.

SIXTH. All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in the Townships of Eldred and Keating, County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: On the north by lands of H. Hibbard; on the east by lands of Starkweather, Edwards, Dickenson and A. O. Graves; on the south by lands of Frank Bray and Gilbert Moody; on the west by lands of Gilbert Moody, and being the same property originally leased to James McManus and John F. Rooney by G. F. Beers and wife by Agreement dated March 21, 1899, and recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean County in Deed Book, Vol. 105, page 801, and for which a new lease was given by Ella C. Beers and G. F. Beers, her husband, to John F. Rooney, dated Feb. 20, 1900, an undivided one-half of which was assigned by John F. Rooney to M. W. Heinlein by assignment dated March 12, 1900, said lease and assignment being recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean County in Deed Book Vol. 110, page 292. The leasehold estates hereinbefore described being the same interests and premises sold, assigned, transferred and set over by JAMES McMANUS, F. A. Judd, W. L. Cooper, M. W. Heinlein, John F. Rooney and John H. Wagoner, individually, and doing business as the Eclipse Oil and Gas Company, Limited, to L. T. Todd, J. S. Pierce, John E. Murphy, J. O. Moffitt, George Nickles, J. J. Newman, John F. Rooney, M. W. Heinlein and John H. Wagoner by assignment dated the first day of October, A. D. 1900, and recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean County in Deed Book Vol. 110, page 295, etc.

The above described lands or leaseholds being improved and having thereon 18 oil and gas wells, 6 carpenters' rigs complete, 5 derricks, 3 25-H. P. boilers, 2 15-H. P. boilers, 9 15-H. P. engines, 2 12-H. P. engines, 8 65-barrel tanks, 1 250-barrel tank, 1 tool house and contents consisting of fittings, pipe, &c., 1 meter house, 1 1800 foot 2" cable, 1 1800 foot wire sand line, all drive pipe, casing, tubing, sucker rods, lead lines, pumping outfits, fittings, machinery, gas lines, buildings, tools and appurtenances thereon situate and to the same belonging.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of L. T. Todd, J. S. Pierce, John E. Murphy, J. O. Moffitt, George Nickles, J. J. Newman, all of Olean, New York, John F. Rooney and M. W. Heinlein, of Smethport, Pennsylvania, and John H. Wagoner of Allegany, New York, at the suit of The First National Bank of Olean, N. Y.

D. H. Jack, plaintiff's attorney.

7.

Defendant's interest in all that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate in Bradford, McKean County, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Situate on the east side of the East Branch of the Tunangwant Creek, and being No. 9 on East Elm street, and the second lot from the corner of said Elm street and avenue "A" in Bradford, said lot being fifty (50) feet front on Elm street and running back one hundred (100) feet. Containing about eighteen (18) rods more or less, and being part of lot No. 130 in warrant 3816, and being the same premises contracted to be sold to Sanford Davis by Article of Agreement dated May 15th, 1886, and recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean County in Deed Book Vol. "89" at page 304, etc.

Improved and having thereon one two-story frame dwelling house and one two-story frame barn.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Charles T. Evans, Administrator of the Estate of Sanford Davis, deceased, at the suit of Augusta M. Hall.

James George, plaintiff's attorney.

8.

Defendant's interest in all that certain messuage and tract of land situate in the Township of Norwich, County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, being bounded upon the north by land occupied by C. R. Burdick and G. W. Burdick; on the east by lands of J. B. Kimball; on the south by lands formerly owned by John J. Ridgway and on the west by lands conveyed by the said Daniel Rifle and Eliza F., his wife, to William H. Rifle, said farm containing one hundred acres more or less, and being the same premises conveyed by William J. Colegrove, Administrator of the Estate of Daniel Rifle, to Andrus L. Rifle by deed dated July 31st, 1889, and recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean County in Deed Book Vol. "60" at page 257, etc.

About 60 acres improved and having thereon one one-story board dwelling house with lean-to, two frame barns, three small orchards and well watered.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of A. L. Rifle at the suit of W. S. Brownell now by substitution Geo. R. Brownell, F. W. Brownell and W. F. Specht, Executors of the Estate of W. S. Brownell, deceased.

Jno. N. Apple, plaintiff's attorney.

9.

Defendants' interest in all that certain leasehold estate in and upon all that certain tract of land, situate in Otto Township, McKean County and State of Pennsylvania, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Being six acres of the western part, containing three abandoned oil wells, of the ten acres, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a post in the eastern line of lands leased to J. M. Smith, by D. C. Wright; thence east sixty-nine and nine-tenths (69.9) rods to a post; thence south along lands of Taylor estate, twenty-three (23) rods to a post; thence west sixty-nine and nine-tenths (69.9) rods to said lands leased to J. M. Smith; thence north twenty-three (23) rods to the place of beginning; containing ten (10) acres of land more or less; Being the same leasehold estate created and granted by lease from C. C. Wright, H. S. Cotton et al. to Geo. Culberson by lease dated September 24, 1898, and recorded in the Recorder's Office in and for McKean County, Pennsylvania, in Deed Book 102 at page 123, &c.

ALSO, all that certain leasehold estate in and upon all that certain tract of land situate in Otto Township aforesaid, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Bounded on the north by lands of the Elder lease; on the east by lands of Baker lease; on the south by lands of Smith and Beal and Cotton leases, and on the west by lands of Cohen Bros. lease. Containing five acres; Beginning at a post in the west line of lot of A. Sheidmantel on land of C. C. Wright; thence south 88 degrees east sixty-nine and nine-tenths (69.9) perches; south 2 degrees west eleven and forty-five one-hundredths (11.45) perches; north 88 degrees west sixty-nine and nine-tenths (69.9) perches; north 2 degrees east eleven and 45-100 (11.45) perches; Being the same leasehold estate created and granted by agreement made and entered into May 25, 1899, by and between C. C. Wright, of the first part, and W. A. Smith and L. L. Beal of the second part, and recorded in the Recorder's Office in and for McKean County, Pennsylvania, in Deed Book, Vol. 109 at page 81, &c.

Together with the two oil wells on the above described premises, and the wood rigs, machinery, tanks, tubing, casing, pipe, fittings, &c., thereon and thereunto belonging. Save and except such property of the Pipe Line Company as may be in, over or upon said leasehold estates.

ALSO, all that certain piece or lot of land situate in Otto Township, McKean County and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the southwest corner of Sumner, Pratt and Filkins ten (10) acre fee; thence south 87¼ degrees east fifteen and forty-three one-hundredths (15 43-100) rods to a post; thence south 2 degrees west twenty-nine and 80-100 (29 80-100) rods to a post; thence south eighty-seven and one-fourth (87¼°) degrees east, five (5) rods to a post; thence south 2 degrees west two (2) rods to a post; thence north 87¼ degrees west twenty and 43-100 (20 43-100) rods to a post; thence north 2 degrees east thirty-one and 80-100 (31.80) rods to the place of beginning. Containing three and ¼ acres. Together with the three oil wells, engines, boiler, tubing, casing, rods, pipe, fittings, connections, &c., thereon and thereunto belonging. Being the same property described in deed from H. C. Edmunds and wife to A. L. Wyman, dated Dec. 28, 1896, and recorded in Deed Book 55 at page 116, &c.

ALSO, all that certain leasehold estate situate in Otto Township, McKean County, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: On the north by the Smith lease, now occupied by Geo. Culberson; on the east by land of Sumner, Pratt and Filkins; on the south by Geo. Culberson lease, and on the west by Geo. Culberson. Containing four (4) acres more or less. Being the same leasehold estate created and granted by lease from C. C. Wright to A. L. Wyman, dated September 10th, 1897, and recorded in the Recorder's Office in and for McKean County, Pa., in Mortgage Book Vol. No. 42 at page 488, &c., together with the two (2) oil wells, engines, tubing, casing, rods, pipe, fittings, tanks, &c., thereon and thereunto belonging.

ALSO, all that certain other leasehold estate situate in Keating Township, McKean County, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: On the east and south by R. Barry's land; on the west by Geo. Culberson and A. L. Wyman lease, and on the north by George Culbertson's lease, formerly the Smith lease. Containing about two (2) acres more or less. Being the same leasehold estate created and granted by lease from C. C. Wright to said A. L. Wyman, and dated July 15, 1898, and recorded in the Recorder's Office in and for McKean County, Pennsylvania, in Mortgage Book Vol. No. 42 at page 489, &c., together with the two oil wells, wood rigs, engines, tubing, casing, tanks, machinery, pipes, fittings, connections, etc., thereon and thereunto belonging.

ALSO, all that certain piece, parcel or lot of land situate in Otto Township, McKean County, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a post corner near McCord Hollow, being the northeast corner of a ten (10) acre tract purchased by J. W. Smith from Henry Hamlin; thence south 2 degrees west twenty-two and 80-100 (22 80-100) perches to a post corner; thence north eighty-eight and ½ degrees west thirty-four (34) rods to a post; thence north 2 degrees east twenty-two and 80-100 (22 80-100) perches to a post; thence south 88½ degrees east thirty four (34) perches to the place of beginning; said tract of land being bounded on the north by land of Foreman, on the east by lands of —— ; on the south by lands of A. Sheidmantel, and on the west by other lands of J. W. Smith et al. Containing five (5) acres of land, more or less, with three oil wells, wood rigs, tubing, casing, tanks, rods, machinery, pipes, connections, &c., thereon and thereunto belonging. Being the same property conveyed by Geo. Culberson and wife to S. H. Elder et al., by deed dated Aug. 6, 1899, and recorded in the Recorder's Office in and for McKean County, Pa., in Deed Book 99 at page 104, &c.

ALSO, all that certain leasehold estate in and upon all that certain tract of land in Otto Township aforesaid, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Bounded on the north by lands of S. H. Elder; on the east by lands of Mrs. P. R. Baker; on the south by lands of Smith and Beal, and on the west by lands of L. Cohen. Containing five acres, and being the north one-half of ten acres leased to A. Sheidmantel by C. C. Wright, Feb'y 14, 1870, and being the same leasehold estate created and granted by agreement made and entered into the 10th day of November, 1899, between C. C. Wright of the first part, and S. H. Elder of the second part, and recorded in McKean County records in Deed Book Vol 100 at page 80. Together with the two oil wells on the last described leasehold estate, and the wood rigs, boilers, engines, tubing, casing, rods, pipe, fittings, &c., thereon and thereunto belonging.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Smith & Beal at the suit of Bovaird & Seyfang M'f'g Co.

W. E. Burdick, plaintiff's attorney.

10.

Defendant's interest in all that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in the Borough of Mt. Jewett, County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, part of warrant No. 2708, and being a part of the westernmost half of lot C of the E. Lenz survey of 1878: Beginning at a post, the northwest corner of said lot C in the north line of said warrant; thence by said north line south 87 degrees east, twenty-four and 58-100 rods; thence south 3 degrees west one hundred and thirty-nine and 75-100 rods to the north side of the right of way of the Big Level & Kinzua Railroad; thence south 43 degrees and 40 minutes west along said Railroad thirty-seven and 27-100 rods to a post; thence north 4 degrees 30 minutes west one hundred and ten and 00-100 rods to the place of beginning, containing 21 acres more or less. Also, that certain other lot, piece or parcel of ground in Hamlin Township, McKean County and State of Pennsylvania, part of warrant No. 2708. Beginning at a post in the north side of the right of way of the Big Level & Kinzua Railroad, being 30 feet from the centre of track and likewise in the west line of land agreed to be conveyed to Olof Westerlund by John H. Nelson; thence by said right of way south 48 degrees and 40 minutes west 505 and 2-10 feet to a post; thence north 4 degrees east 456 and 2-10 feet to a post; thence by line heretofore the north line of land of Elisha K. Kane, south 80 degrees and 30 minutes east 220 and 7-10 feet; thence south 4 degrees west to the place of beginning, containing 1 and 69-100 acres.

Excepting and reserving out of the above described land all that certain lot conveyed to John Eastberg by deed dated March 8th, 1887, and recorded July 1st, 1891, in Deed Book 66, at page 602, records of McKean County.

Also, all that certain lot of land conveyed to Nels P. Peterson by deed dated November 4th, 1892, and recorded December 10th, 1892, in Deed Book 70, at page 101, records of McKean County. Also, all that certain lot of land conveyed to John Bergman by deed dated September 1st, 1890, and recorded September 18, 1893, in Deed Book 74, at page 152, records of McKean County. Also, all that certain lot of land conveyed to Chas. Ommundson, by deed dated April 18, 1893, and recorded July 11, 1894, in Deed Book 70, at page 91, records of McKean County, reference to which records being had, the said conveyances will fully and at large appear.

Improved and having thereon one two-story frame dwelling house, one frame barn, an orchard and usual outbuildings.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Olof Westerlund at the suit of Conewango Building Loan Association.

H. S. Rogers, plaintiff's attorney.

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